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British Consulate, Canton, 16th April, 1866.

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wise ordered. A. SHORTREDE & Co. Hongkong, 17th May, 1866.

NOTICE.

MESSRS A. SHORTREDE & Co. would IVI draw the attention of parties advertising to the facilities offered by the aiterations lately made in the management of the Firm for repetitions in Chinese of Notices respecting Shipping and Mercantile affairs generally.

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JOTICE is hereby given that the Third CALL, of \$25 each, due upon the Shares of this Company, will be due and delivered at the same payable on the 6th day of August next, at greatly facilitated. the Offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Company, Limited, Hongkong, where receipts will be granted for the amount by the Manager, which receipts can be exchanged for Share Certificates at the Office of the Company on-and after the

said 6th day of August next. Interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum will be charged on all amounts 'unpaid. --

By Order of the Board of Directors. (Signed) AUGUSTINE, HEARD & Co. General Agents. Hongkong, July 5, 1866.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s NOTICES.



SHANGHAE and YOKOHAMA.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steam-ship "ADEN." will leave for the Places about 24 hours after the Arrival of the next English Mail Steamer.

W. R. DALZIEL Acting Superintendent. Hongkong, August 30, 1866.

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W. R. DALZIEL Acting Superintendent Hongkong, August 29, 1866.

NOTICE.

THE following Packages are still unclaimed, and are lying in the P. & O. Co.'s Parcel Room at the Risk of the Consignees, who are requested to take inunediate delivery.

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Thos. Walters, Esq. . 1 Box Sundries. Hongkong, July 31, 1866.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TOSHIPPERS OF TREASURE. TO facilitate the work of Shippers, the I Company have arranged to receive any Treasure intended for Shipment in their Offices in the Queen's Road

Treasure will be received in this manner and day between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M., up to the day preceding that of the Steamer's departure. Should the hour fixed for leaving be later than Noon, shipments will be received on the day of depar-

ture, from 7 to 9 A.M. Shippers desiring to avail of this arrangement will please send along with their Treasure, Shipping Orders and Receipts carefully filled up with Marks, Description, and Destination, and if the Bills of Lading are delivered at the same time the work will be

The Company of course except the "risk of boats," &c., as covered by ordinary Marine Insurance.

With reference to the foregoing notice, it is hereby intimated that the Company's Godowns are now ready for the reception of Opium and other cargo for shipment in the Company's Steamers, under the same condition as stated above.

THOS. SUTHERLAND, Superintendent. Hongkong, 1st August, 1864.

P. & O. S. N. Co's NOTICES.

NOTICE. PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM

NAVIGATION COMPANY. MR WILLIAM ROBERT DALZIEL II will assume charge of the Company! Business in Hongkong from this date and

THOS. SUTHERLAND, Superintendent Hongkong, April 16, 1866.

NOTICE.

until further notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Company's Rate of Freight on TREASURE to and from all the Coast Ports is now reduced to a uniform rate of one quarter per

THOS. SUTHERLAND, Superintendent. Hongkong, March, 22, 1866.

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NOTICES OF FIRMS.

GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, June 21, 1864.

NOTICE.

ETTERS of ADMINISTRATION having been granted to the undersigned under the Seal of the "Probate Court of Hongkong," the 7th day of August, A.D. 1866, in the Estate of the Late HENRY Noble. All persons having CLAIMS against the Estate are requested to send them in as early as possible, and all persons INDEBTED to the said Estate are requested to pay to him the Accounts without delay.

> MAX. FISCHER, Administrator.

Hongkong, August 8, 1866.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE. ME have have this day established ourselves at this Port, as General and Commission Merchants, under the Style

and Firm of MELCHERS & Go. HERMANN MELCHERS,

ADOLF ANDRE Office No. 4, Graham St , near Qua Boad Hongkong, August 1, 1866

Hongkong, July 2, 1866.

LAPRAIK.

NOTICE. HAVE this day retired from the Business heretofore carried on by me in

favor of my Nephew Mr JOHN STEWARD D. LAPRAIK,

WITH reference to the above, I have admitted as Partner Mr ALEXANDER McGlashan Heaton, and the Business will hereafter be conducted under the Style and

Firm of DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. JOHN S. LAPRAIK. Hongkong, July 2, 1866.

NOTICE.

MR ADOLPHUS T. EIMBCKE has this day been admitted a Partner in our Firm. CARLOWITZ & Co. Canton, July 1, 1866

TAJE have this day established a Branch VV .. of our Firm at Hongkong. Office No. 2 d'Aguilar Street, formerly Bank of India.

CARLOWITZ & Co. Canton, July 1, 1866.

NOTICE.

THE BUSINESS STOCK IN TRADE PLANT, &c., of Mesars A. SHORTREDE & Co. as well as the Proprietorship of their several publications has been disposed of to Mr Nicholas Belfield Dennys: and the Undersigned hereby gives notice that his Interest and Responsibility in the Firm ceases on the 1st July 1866.

EDWARD ANDREWS Hongkong, June 29, 1866.

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ment our business will be con-

A. SHORTREDE & Co.

SHORTREDE & Co., as heretofore, and Mr EDWARD ANDREWS is authorised to sign our Firm.

Hongkong, June 29, 1866.

NOTICE. HE Interest and Responsibility of Mr JAMES ATKINSON in our Firm ceased

on the 18th June 1866. LAMMERT ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1866.

NOTICE. AR EDWARD WALLACE, is autho-VI rised to sign our Firm in Yokohama per procuration.

PHILLIPS, MOORE & Co. Hongkong, April 13, 1866.

NOTICE. INTE have this day established a Branch

of our Firm at Yokohama, Japan. PHILLIPS, MOORE & Co. Hongkong, April 13, 1866.

NOTICE.

Hongkong, April 2, 1866.

MHE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the WAICHMAKING. and JEWELLERY Business, ceased on the 1st January, 1865, from which date all DEBTS will be collected and all Claims paid by Mr GEORGE B. FALCONER who has taken over the Business from that date. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK.

Y tisement, the Undersigned begs to notify that the Business will be carried on by him from this date, under the Firm and Style of G. FALCONER & Co.

TATITH Reference to the above Adver-

G. FALCONER. Hongkong, April 2, 1866.

NOTICE.

TATE have authorised Mr F. SORNSEN VV to sign our Firm per procuration. BEHRE & Co.

Saigon, March 1, 1866.

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. THOMAS S. ODELL, in our Firm, ceased on the 31st December, 1865 and Mr. ERNEST DEACON has this day been admitted a Partner.

DEACON & Co. Canton, January 1, 1866.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr ELDRED HALTON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last, and Mr James PEN-DER DUNCANSON was admitted a Partner on the 1st July.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, January 11, 1866.

THE CHINA MAIL. PUBLISHED WEEKLY

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1866.

DEATHS.

At Funchau on the 25th August, the Captain of the Swedish ship Gustav Adolph, died of heat apoplexy, previously complaining of pain in the stomach &c.

At Fubchau on the 25th August the Custom House officer died on board the steamer Undine, complaining of pain in the stomach, after a few minutes of At the Feamen's Hospital, Hongkong, on the 26th August, ALEXANDER RANDERN, late Steward to Messrs, Jardine, Malheson & Co., aged 27 years,
At Hongkong, on the 28th August, G-orge Le Frence, late Master of the Tugboat "Fame, aged 26 years.
At the Government Civil Hospital, Hongkong, on the 30th August. An European Scaman, name unknown. On board the P. & O. steamer Behar, on the 11th ins-· tant, a few hours after leaving I enang, GEORGE SMITH, Esq , Manager of the "Commercial Bank Corporation of India and the East," Singapore.

ECHOES OF THE WEEK.

Barning of S. S. Huquang-Meeting of Consals at Amoy respecting Rice embargo _Hongkong-The Stamp Act-Execution of a pirate-Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company-The New Hotel Company-New half dollars-Seizure of bullion belonging to the Agra Bank-The flogging Ordinance-The Regatta -Club-News from Manila. OUR news from the Coast ports is not of

any very great interest. The unfortunate Huquang has been burnt at Kiukiang and an indignation meeting of Consuls has been held at Amoy to protest against the em-Bargo on Rice at Taiwan. With respect to the latter affair it is but a repetition of the old, old story. The Chinese Government makes any number of engagements, signs treaties and promises fair, while its subordinates evade their performance whenever possible. There is but one cure for such a state of things. Let the Central Government be distinctly told by all the foreign representatives in Peking that in all future cases in which departmental officials fail to carry out the (at all events expressed) intentions of their government, their punishment would be taken in hand by the foreign powers and would not be demanded of the utterly powerless advisers of the dragon throne. In this case for instance the seizure of the offending official himself his word would have had a most happy effect. There is not the slightest fear of bloodshed resulting from such a course. In most cases the people would remain perfectly neutral, not being distinguished by affection for their rulers. such a Scheme may be Quixotic but what is to be We have only three courses open to us. To make the central government do as we wish, which would necessitate an armed protection on our part. To punish those who make fools of us, ourselves; or to put up with it. Protests are of little avail. No sooner is one case patched up than another breaks out.

Locally we of Hongkong have had quite enough excitement during past week, any thing in that way being so rare. The STAMP ACT is the great subject under discussion. We publish elsewhere reports of the meetings held and letters written on the subject, so will only here state that it seems His Excellency the Governor is determined that we shall have a stamp act imposed and that the community an equally determined that they will not. So far we have not got to any, thing beyond fair though earnest 'discussion, in which it seems that the public have rather overlooked the expressed intention of the Governor to greatly modify the act in its present form, though speaking of him in courteous terms. Our own opinions as expressed in our daily issue are in favour of a modified act leaving ordinary; business and shipping transactions unfettered. Oue of our conporaries is entirely against any act whatever, while the other is in favor thereof, so that all shades of opinion are pretty fairly represented in the columns of the local

Cheong Chat Tai a notorious pirate was executed yesterday morning. He made no confession before death, but Hougkong may congratulate itself on being rid of so dangerous a scoundrel.

The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company held their third meeting yesterday when a dividend of 14 per cent was those of a Foreign "se tlement," " conces-Committee held a meeting yesterday also and a contract for \$85,000 was accepted from the Contractor Awali. The works are to be commenced immediately.

The new Hotel Company are showing signs of vitality. A meeting is to be held on the 13th proximo when we shall doubtless learn what they intend doing. splendid institution might be established on remunerative terms if a little zeal and const. goodwill is shewn for the project by the Colonists generally. Some new half dollars were issued from the mint a few days since -more however as specimens than as a promise of a good supply. We are sadly in want of these coins, the constant annoyances incurred under the present system by

tating, yet the Mint is still idle. A compulsory law obliging the exchange of old for new dollars will we expect be the only means of putting the new coin into circulation. Nineteen boxes of bullion were seized on board the Mail steamer, just as she was leaving, by the Sheriff. They are said to be the property of the Agra Bank and had arrived from America. The manager endeavour to ship them off, but was thus prevented at the last moment. We cannot understand this affair. If he was legally justified in shipping them their detention must be vexations and in fact illegal. If he was not justified in acting Location." as he did, the action must be regarded as a piece of sharp practice which might be qualified with a disagreeable adjective. We cannot however express an opinion on the mêrits of the case until we are in possession of all the facts-which at present we are not.

The flogging ordinance seems to have a beneficial effect on the returns of crime, the number of prisoners having decreased some 20 per cent, and that apparently not, as the Magistrates.

been amusing themselves and the public by matically mysterious form :some well contested races, which we trust "Purchasers of tea in the interior will be continued.

From Manila we learn that several Chinese have been committed to prison for bribing or attempting to bribe the late Governor. The new Captain General seems to be "making an impression" upon all classes and we wish him success in his endeavours to purge that colony from the evils under which it has so long suffered.

A not unnatural wish has often been expressed by the Residents of Hongkong to see this Colony made the head quarters of British law in China :- not merely for those actually under Colonial government, but for all whose status as British subjects at the open ports entitles them to the protection and aid of their Government. The establishment of a Supreme Court at Shanghae-which so far from being even and his confinement until he had fulfilled a "British settlement," can only be described as a conglomeration of nationalities, ercise jurisdiction so far as their own people are concerned, has been looked upon as an act which unnecessarily ignores the existence of a colony so important from its geographical position and the nature of the trade which passes through it. For our own part, we conceive that in all cases, where Chinese or foreigners are Flaintiffs or Defendants in any actions, the advantages possessed by the position of Shanghae, as being nearer than Hongkong is to Peking, are such as to make it very advisable that a court empowered to try such cases should be located there. Native assistance also. under a certain amount of supervision on the part of the higher Chinese authorities, is obtainable there, which could not be procured at Hongkong, and few Residents in China are averse to such a court having its head quarters at the model settlement.

The chief reason urged for the establish ment of a Supreme Court at Shanghai, to deal with cases arising between purely British subjects, is that it forms the Court of appeal from the provincial Courts held by the Consuls at the Treaty ports. That it is able by being in direct communication with both the Consular Anthorities and the Minister, to exercise a more powerful influence over the minor Courts than could be exerteby a Court at Hongkong; and that its decisions are more likely to be dispassionate and unbiassed than those of the Sapreme Court of this Colony, which certain people will persist in emsidering as a timated by some mysterious hatred to every thing Consular in China.

To most people it would seem that the fact of Colonial interests being so essentially different in a general sense from declared. This though not as high as on sion," or (to find a better term) " Locathe last occasion shews a flourishing state tion," would be a strong a gument in favor of affairs and the shareholders seem to be of the Court of appeal being situated in very well satisfied. The new City Hall Hongkong, and not at a port where, at all events presumably, it must to a certain extent come under consular influence. The object of a court of appeal is, we presume, to obtain a calm reconsideration of the ci cumstances of an action from perfeetly unbiassed judges, and this would seem to be better obtainable here than at A GREAT deal has been heard of the inse- would the constant and large stream of cided that the war against Prussia should any of the British "Locations" on the curity of Messages in the Indian telegraph passengers passing through Hongkong

then be those of the Shanghae Supreme from remaining within hearing of the exempt from the petty but annoying cares Court, and as cases would seldom arise in clicking of the instruments in the operat- attendant on Chinese squeezes, sulky cooks, which these questions would be raised, ing room, and as they are able to read by and careless house boys, would be a powernogreat hardship would be inflicted sound, they may take down Messages isi- ful attraction, and an additional source of on the judges of that Court. Such a multaneously with the operator on duty, constant income would thus be derived transfer, while it would probably give They then hurry off to their merchant from a liberal scale of contract with persatisfaction to the British Community in friends, who thus get the telegrams long manent lodgers. The scheme should, how-China, would add to the importance and before the persons to whom they were ever embrace, something more than a mere position of the Colony, and would give a addressed know of their existence. Should attempt to supply food and dodging. fairer guarantee than at present exists for the telegraph wire ever reach as far as the American Hotels for instance, if one before the Supreme Court at the " Model ADLEY will enable the telegraphic depart- of the bell summons straightway a bar-

THERE is a Prussian Consul at Shanghae, an amiable gentleman yelept Tettenborn, and he has apparently been made the medium for conveying information of a rather important character, deeply interesting to our tea-merchants generally, and especially to purchasers of tea in the "interior" of China. The document in rule, from undue leniency on the part of which this precious information s conveyed is published by our contemporary, The members of the Regatta Club have the Daily News, in the following gram-

China are hereby informed that, in ac-Li Foo tai just communicated to me, they have to obtain receipts of duties on the teas from the producers of the same, which receipts presenting, they will be permitted to pass all the Custom Houses.

TETTENBORN."

The Sybilline books, the Schleswig Holstein dispute, the exoteric doctrines of Egyptian theology, or the Mysticism the Rosicrusians, may perhaps be made plain to ordinary people, but mysteries ancient and modern must pale their ineffectual fires before the oracle of Tetten. born. The first impression on reading the above announcement (as our contemporary remarks) is one of hopeless bewilderment. What receipts, for what duties, from what producers-are a few among over which the Chinese authorities ex- the questions which suggest themselves; and these are succeeded a wild endeaveur to determine whether of the hard times, or whether the people from whom they have to obtain them are they who have produced the receipts, or the duties, or the teas; whether the receipts are to present the producers, or the producers the receipts, and which are to be eventually allowed to pass the Custom Houses. Eventually, an idea dawns that the "Governor Li-Footai,"-by which excate the vicercy of the two Kiangs,-wishes purchasers of teas to obtain, from the growers, receipts for duties which the latter have paid, and promises that, on pres ntation of these receipts the teas shall be allowed to pass the inland Custom Houses. The inference of course is, that unless there receipts are produced, the teas will not be allowed to pass; and the question next arises, what right the viceroy has to impose any such novel regulation, at d what possible aberration can have induced Mr. Tettenborn to give it so immediato publicity and so emphatic sanction. We are not aware of the precise terms of the Prussian convention with China; but we imagine they mainly resemble those of the English, French and American treaties; and certainly there is no provision in either of these requiring foreigners to act us surveyors of taxes to the Chinese

> Government Similar notices have been served on the other Consuls, but they have not made them public. The question (says the Daily News, how to resist the imposition, is more difficult than its detection. may be privately convinced of the motive of the rule which His Excellency wishes to introduce, but it is less easy to prove its existence. We can of course refuse to comply with the request that certificates of the payment of local duties be shown at the Custom House. The Chinese have no right to impose such a restriction. But this refusal will not prevent the exaction of these dues, which will be mere transit squeezes under another name.

The decisions appealed against would of the establishment, are not prevented and lodging at a reasonable rate, while lingly to any suspension of hostilities, bement to prevent the perpetration of a si- ber who clips and dispenses news with milar fraud here. The fact of reading by equal celerity; a person's boots burst (as sound may be doubted by the inexperi- travellers' boots will sometimes) and enced, but the ability to so read is easily cobbler is at hand to mend the injuredacquired by a smart operator.

instant, and declared a dividend of Tls, it. Then if one wants to find one's way too against Austria. 50 per share. At the meeting some dis- any part of the town, a guide is ready to cussion arose as to the desirability of the accompany the guest, while thit books and pondents that the prospects of peace are Company taking shares in the Hongkong messengers are equally at command for Fire Insurance Company, with a view to those who may wish to avail themselves benefit by mutual working, and it was of their services. resolved "that the directors be authorized | The sum of human comfort is made up to subscribe for five shares in the Hong- of trifles; and an attention to these minor scarcely likely to do so. Were France a cordance with a decree of the Governor kong Fire Insurance Company, and to points would go far to popularize the belligerent there might be some ground for work in unison with that office in any scheme. Opposition has, we know, been her imposing her will, but as she has preway they may deem desirable for the in- met with from some influential quarters, ferred the position of a neutral she has no terests of the China Fire Insurance Com- but the directors of the Company are by right to dictate to either of the contending pany." Clearly here is a chance that the no means men of straw, and their position Hongkong Company should not let slip. is a certain guarantee that the matter will So far as their business may be worked be well carried out as soon as commenced. "in unison" with that of the r Shangbae We shall watch with great interest the neighbours, " for the interests of the Chi- steps resolved on at the meeting now called, na Fire Insurance Company," the connec- and feel sure that a few signs of vitality tion will be deemed "desirable" by the are alone wanting to excite public interest latter: but surely it is worth more in the matter. than a five share investment. The resolution is perhaps unfortunately worded, for it suggests the presence of a selfish THE following is an abstract of the Review. motive on the part of our no: thern friends : still we have no doubt that our local Company will gladly welcome them as investors in our local stock, even to the small extent of five shares. But they must not expect us to send a fire engine to put out Shang- ducing the National Debt will come by hae conflagations. Like the mayor of Ports- nought, and the Bankruptcy Bill cannot spirits were Lord Russell and Mr. Gladmouth who urged 50 reasons for not firing | be expected to pass this year. The Times the purchasers are to be made a present off a royal salute, and ended with the hopes to see three bills passed which reof the "receipts of duties," in consideration explanation that he had no powder, we might enumerate the impossibilities of such cooperation; but we content ourselves with stating that we have no good Sre engine, nor a fire brigade-facts which are about as discreditable to Hongkong as the system of public vaccination. If these anything that we care just now to call to bills pass, says the Times, they may make remembrance.

From the " Evening Mail".

pression it is, we presume, intended to indi- WANT of space has prevented our before noticing and drawing the attention of our readers to an advertisement which has lately made its appearance in our columns, respecting a meeting which is to be held on the 13 h September next, by the Shareholders in the New Hotel Company mited). If ever men deserved well their fellow creatures, those who have started this scheme can certainly claim to be the people, so far as Hongkong and its visitors are emeerned. Hitherto any unfortunate voya, eur bound North or South. compelled for his sins to pass twenty four or forty eight hours at Hongkong, was, if unable to avail himself of the hospitality of friends, thrown upon the tender mercies of the existing race of landlerds, who for not give anything like the accommodation, food, or artendince that could fairly be ex-

> Loud and deep have been the blessings bestowed upon the existing race of Hotels in Hongkong, and the most impartial critic must admit many short-comings, which it is perhaps best that we do not too accurately describe in our columns. Under these circumstances it is a wonder, not that a company should now be formd to offer suitable accommodation to bilious victims just released from the pains of seasickness. but that so long a time should have been allowed to elapso without steps being taken to establish un hotel worthy of the

offices. Sir CHARLES C. ADLEY, in his farnish a goodly number of inmates, but We can quite understand that the Con- "Story of the Telegraph in India," gives an adaptation and modification of the suls would strongly object to their deci- us a solution of the mystery how Mercan- American system would lead many single sions being revised in the first instance by tile Messages became known to the native men who are now compelled to rent houses a Colonial Court, but this we do advocate. merchants, and were acted upon hours or rooms at rates, which in proportion to Prussians, and if France does not interfere We only desire that the Court of ultimate before the real addressee, the English their incomes are exorbitant, to take up it is within the bounds of possibility that appeal be transferred to Hongkong, leaving merchant, knew anything about them, their abode therein almost as a permas she may succeed in her endeavours. Prusthose who keep no shrofts being most irri- matters much as they are in other respects. The signallors who keep no shrofts being most irri- matters much as they are in other respects. The signallors who keep no shrofts being most irri- matters much as they are in other respects. The signallors who keep no shrofts being most irri-

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From the " Evening Mail.") from Mitchell's Maritime Register, of the week ending 14th July

It is expected that the business of the session will be brought to a close in the last week of July or the first week in August. Mr Gladstone's complicated scheme for represent the result of nearly eleven years' work in the medical department of the Privy Council, namely, a general Public Health Bill; a bill for improving the poorer quarters of towns and the dwellings of the labouring classes; and another for improving a difference of some tens of thousands of deaths identical with annually.

The laying of the Atlantic telegraph cable has commenced, and, so far, has gone on perfectly satisfactorily. The details given by correspondents of the various journals are those of the last attempt

The non-reduction of the Bank rate of discount is viewed in all commercial circles with the greatest possible discontent. Times anticipates that when all the bills at present in continental hands shall have been cleared off an immediate reaction will set in, and that money will for a long time be as cheap as it is now dear. The present rate will appear the more extraordinary when it is considered that across the Channel the rate averages 3 to 31 per cent, while outside the Bank, the Stock Exchange is offering advances on Government securities at 6 per cent.

That unfailing thermometer of public opinion, the Bourse, has exhibited signs that the prices they charge, most certainly do the people of France do not regard the prospect of war with any great complacency. The news of the break down of the armistice was signalised by a serious fall, especially in Italian stock, which fell 2f. 35c., closing at 50f. 30c. Rentes fell 1f. 25c., closing at 67f. 25c. A late Paris letter gives a few particu-

lars of interest with reference to the Austrian proposal for an armistice. It appears that the report that the proposals of General Gablenz for an armistice were rejected by the King of Prussia is unfounded. He accepted them, but under exceedingly onerous conditions. Under the pressing difficulties of his position, Benedek accepted the conditions, subject to the decision of his Government. The news was sent to Vienna, and immediately on its arrival the Council met. At this gathering a decision As the rendezvous of the P. & O. and | was arrived at, the effect of which was that Messageries steamers such an institution, if the Prussian proposals were rejected, and well conducted, would be able to almost the cession of Venetia to the Emperor of defy competition. Not only, however, the French agreed upon. It was then debe continued with the help of the army withdrawn from Venetia. The real object of Austria in its dealings with France has been less to make peace than to gain time. Having concentrated her forces, Austria very long they would do this, that ought to hopes to be able to make way against the

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Mr. Seward's visit to Paris has opened with several interviews with the Emperor . and M. Drouyn de Lhuys. The object of these conferences is understood to be the solution of the difficulties which impede an immediate settlement of the Mexican question. One writer states that Mr. Seward is oudeavouring to. "bring about an understanding between France and the United States with regard to Canada." It is, however, hard to see in what way French interests are concerned with British North America. If Mr Seward has any arrangement to make on this subject he will probably do so with Lord Stauley, to whom and to whose Government he is scarcely ikely to be so strongly opposed as he would be to a Ministry of which the guiding

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. 22nd August, 1866.

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remarking, that he thought it necessary that the Council should at once come to some decision in relation to the revenue and e penditure, that they had but two things to consider, whether they would cut down the expenditure or increase the re-

venue : and with this view he would propose the second reading of the Stamp Act, and he was the more anxious for this because he wished to have the act print d and placed before the public. Mr Whittall addressed the meeting, say ing : that he must oppose any further taxation, while the Colony continued to pay the military contribution. Circumstances had entirely changed since this contribuvion was first proposed. And he believed

a petition would be got up, endorsed by the public generally, and by this meeting he hoped, with the approbation of the Gove nor, asking for its removed. He did not think it could be said that the Colony was undertaxed when with a population of 120,000 and only a few of these tax payers, a revenue of £200,000 per annum was raised. The Stamp Act was open to other objec-De houed his colleagues would heartily oppose it, and that His Excellency would consent to abandon it. Hitherto Hongkong had been a free port, and it was to this croumstance that the prosperity of the Colony was due. The Chinese traders were a timorous class. They already looked with distrust upon the Junk and Pirate Ordinances, and this coming upon the top of the others they were beginning to ask, where it will stop. He proceeded to examine the estimates, to show that no immediate necessity existed for an increase of taxation. He proposed to strike out the

estimptes for the new-road from Government house to the Gup, and the \$26,000, the Colonial share to the gun-boat. By this means, without the Stamp Act. we should obtain a surplus if \$17,000, and if necessary a small loan might be made. He should oppose paying for Gun-boat. The Royal Navy was here to protect commerce, and one of its first duties was the suppression of piracy. And the Chinese should also be moved to contribute to this.

The Home Government in agreeing to pay half the expense, did in reality admit a principle that bound them to pay the whole. As regards the contribution he was very sanguine, that if proper representations were male at home, that matter would be set right. He also hoped that the revenue would increase, and trusted that in the future the money would not be squandered. Independently of this there were several plots of ground from which revenue might he raised. There was the new Battery point, which he put down at sixty thousand dollars If the military authorities gave over Kowloon, and he believed that before be a source of great profit to the Governinent. Then there was the Mint to be considered. By 1867, its failure or success would be manifest. In case of its success, it would increase the revenue, or proving a failure, would relieve it. If a loan was not desirable there might be an increase of the

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East Point, 27th August, 1866.

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No. 1124.—Augus: 30, 1866.]

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Foreign Governments, complaining that

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working expenses of a costly gunboat, han-

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thing perfect, and at any time we could

give it up to the Admiral of the Port, and

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pular measure, and this a tax, he could

only be actuated by a deep and honest con-

Mr DENT said he did not rise in any fac-

tious spirit of opposition, but he supported

the remarks of Mr Whittall and should

oppose the Stamp Act most decidedly, and

Gun-boat. As for the gun-boat, if it was

destined to perform police duty, it out to be

paid for out of the police tax. He tooked

upon the Mint as the rain of the colony.

At the end of 1867 its failure or success

Colony, not only of \$50,000, but of \$120,000,

He thought it would be very pleasant to

repeal the stainp act, but much more so

The Colonial Secretary argued that the

Council could not now take exceptions to

the military contribution. That whether

the mint was stopped or not, it could not

balance the estimates. That allowance had

been made for the land near the Harbour

Master's Office. That putting the gunboat

on the police rates would not balance re-

venue. That it was evident that there

must be a loan or a tax, and be preferred

Mr Gibb advocated postponing the Stamp

Act for twelve months, and thought that a

little money could be borrowed to carry on

the reservoir at Pok-foo lum. That the

and light rates doubled to seeing a Stamp

Mr Whittall thought the mint aiready a

failure, and that it can never pay its ex-

His Excellency said that if the Stamp

Act was passed at once it could not come

into operation until March. The same ar-

guments had been used against it in Singa-

pore, but it had proved a success there.

As to doubling the police rates, it should

His Excellency objected strongly to a

The Council then divided on the second

The Hon, the Acting Colonial Secretary.

The ordinance for altering the vacation

of the Supreme Court, so that it will come

between the 20th of August and the 12th

of October, passed its third reading, and

after an alteration of 12th of October to

The Council adjourned till Thursday

number of small taxes, that would barass

The Hon, the Acting Clif Justice

The Hon, the Attorney General.

The Hon, the Colonial Treasurer.

The Hon. Mr Whittall

committee without alteration.

12th of September was passed,

30th instant at three o'clock.

The Hon. Mr Dent.

The Hon. Mr Gibb.

penses with its present machinery

have his serious attention.

the community.

Against it, -

reading, which stood.

For second reading,-

not to pass it.

viction that it was for the best.

did not think the Colony heavily taxed.

What was called taxation, was made up

He believed a population that Mr Whittall

GOV-BRMENT HOUSE, 25th August 1866.

MY DEAR SIR, -- It occurs to me that the meeting to consider the proposed Stamp Ordinance might be assisted, by removing one or two popular errors which now encumber the field of discussion. They are within my own personal knowledge, and can of course be best youched by myself.

derstood-that when fixing \$120,000 as the yearly addition to the Colonial Revenue, move resolutions. which a review of our Financial position led me to think requisite, I had not the remotest intention of imposing taxation to a colonies, only equal to this in poulation | larger amount.

It is nevertheless quite true that the Schedule of the Ordinance, as it now stands, would probably produce a much larger sum. That Schedule, however, was purposely left thus comprehensive, with a view European Garrison, which insured the seto deciding with advice of the council, on the distribution of the proposed limited taxhouse rent, police and water rates, that ation, and on the items expedient to reject were not reckoned as taxation in other and retain. I felt that on such points, the and custom duties, he really thought the opinions of the unofficial members and the adopted the Stamp Act, it would be the

almost the only one which was expedient any merit or the reverse in framing the prounder the circumstances. He did not think ese trading classes. He believed they would two points peculiar to Hong-kong, of the intended to protect the honest trader against Ordinance long in force throughout India nerated for the money expended, in the and more especially in the neighboring additional feeling of security, and in the greater confidence it would give to all in-Straits Settlement, where I understood on ferested in the Colony. In the second the best authority that the measure had boat. What he had said about the fleet been working satisfactorily, and had comwas perfectly true, but he must remember pletely refuted prophetic warnings of evil similar to those uttered here. expense of a boat intended to discharge

It may be well to add that the completion of various provisions in the Schedule had been purposely deferred till the appropriate moment of discussion in Council. Thus the liable to duty is left unsettled-au observation which applies to several other items.

As the above matters lie within my own personal knowledge I have thought it right to state them to you-not merely as Senior hon-official member of the Council, but as being in a better position than myself to correct misapprehensions injurious to a discassion which, to be useful, should start with correct premises.

Of course those who think no taxation needed—and those who, even if taxation be soon after his arrival, to propose an unpo- required, think a stamp duty not the best tax, are quite right in opposing a measure which they disapprove. The introduction I almost envy those who are satisfied that protest against it. He had gone through | the Public Works and progressive improvethe Estimates and made put a surplus of ments, which I trust will long mark auspi-

\$18,000, deducting the apper road and the ciously every year of the colony's history. I know that the form in which the estimates are printed, by order of H. M. Goverminent, and several other minor considerations, excuse a large margin of misapprehenmust appear, and that would relieve the tion of our financial position. I believe it would be very easy to furnish a meeting of the General Public with not one, but several, apparently triumphant proofs, drawn perhaps from opposite and inconsistent sources, of the temporary nature of our financial lifficulties, and yet the best of these proofs would probably be a delusion, which a brief explanation from the Auditor General could

Individually of course I regard a stamp duty as preferable to any other mode of taxation in this colony. Otherwise I would not propose it. I do propose it-till a betcommunity would prefer having the police | ter and wiser scheme be suggested - because ace in it a system tested already in a neighbouring country and throughout British India without injurious results to commerce. I see in it a system capable of immediate contraction and expansion according to the Public exigencies. I see in it a measure which indirectly compels others than mere residents here, to share the bur then as well as the profits attendant on business conducted here. I see in it a means of abating the gambling by time-bargains, which must injuriously affect legitimate business . I see in it a system approved by the most eminent political economists as apportioning taxation according to the magnitude of the transaction which it reaches. Finally I attach the mere weight to this latter consideration, because the apposition to the measure is so general here, that I infer The estimates were then passed through from thence; a Stamp Act would equitably uclude and affect all interests. - Believe me to be very faithfully yours,

RICHARD GRAVES MACDONNELL.

THE STAMP ACT.

Bank, was unanimously elected.

means of proving that the Stamp Act was

its business would go to Canton or Fulchau. and it would revert to the condition in which | gard the act. Everybody knew full well | civilization, so as to keep up with the times; new gun-boat. If these things were re- tremely injudicious. There was every wil- be requested to defer the actual expenditaxation was very light If the council Mercantile Community ought to carry quired, the further taxation they would linguess on the part of the residents to afof years. It could not be expected that | carry on the Government, but there was on the Estimates until the results of the Secondly I have to disclaim for myself | the present residents of Hongkong, who I no necessity for such excessive taxation as next year's working of the Mint be seen. might not be here five years hence, should that proposed. He cordially seconded the on the grounds that although this outlay spoken of as if it were unalterable, when bear all the expense. Let a loan be raised resolution. visions of the proposed Ordinance. It is on debentures, extending over a term of understand that the new Ordinances were almost a verbatim copy—except in one or years, and to be repaid in yearly instalments, in such sums as the revenue could plan for they must conduct the business of the Straits. But there was not the same necessity on merchants here. Again, Singapore was taxed as a dependency of our Indian empire not for its own support, but

> Mr Parry, of Birley & Co. then rose and said :- He was sure the majority of those present would agree with him when he said not too strongly worded, and that the proreally fraught with grave consequences. The Head of the Government had on his arrival in the Colony commenced consideration of affairs by declaring himself unable to see any solution of our difficulties except by retrenchment. This conservative resolve to his. An income tax did not exist, there had latterly given place to other ideas, and we were now called upon to accept the burdent of a Stamp Tax, an act that had been borrowed from Singapore and was inapplicable to this place. The Ordinance had been rapidly brought forward, and so little as a recognition of the valuable public serriff, in compliance with a requisition, was he thought there was no necessity even held at the Supreme Court house on Thurs- | for that. He hoped the Auditor General day afternoon, for the purpose of consider- was present, and that he would give the ing the advisability of memorialising His explanation which His Excellency seemed proposed stamp Act. The meeting was well | There was a balance of \$85,000 outstanding, attended. The Sheriff briefly stated that which would be in hand before 12 mouths and invited the persons present to appoint long be called upon, in this hurried manner, e chairman. Mr Arthur, of the Mercantile to submit to unnecessary taxation ! The Ordinance had passed the second reading, The CHAIRMAN (who spoke seated) said | and the consequence was that it had virtu-

loes not in their opinion exist."

position, and he might feel some difficulty ing, under the circumstances, been con- The renters would see that, whether taxes in addressing them in a proper manner. veued rightly or not? He thought it had, were raised upon rentals, or by duties upon The object of the meeting was to consider and he trusted the Governor would see that bills, it really came to the same thing. certain resolutions, to be transmitted to the it would had been better if he have paused But there would be this difference between Governor in the form of a memorial, re- from pressing on this measure so hurriedly, a tax on rentals and a tax on bills-that questing the abolishment of the Stamp Act As had been stated, the act would press very you could never ensure the stamping of or its suspension for a period, to give time heavily on banks-for banks had not had Chinese documents, but you could include to the community to properly understand very handsome dividends of late; but there the financial condition of the Colony, and was another point he wished to notice. The to avert unnecessarily severe taxation. The 10th clause placed a tax on bills from \$10 Stamp Act would certainly be an infliction to \$10,000. Now this would press heavily & Co., rose to move the next resolution. on the Colony, and everybody objected to on native merchants, who were constantly which he said had reference to certain be more injuriously affected by ill-judged it, as everybody did to taxes. Hongkong trading between Hongkong, Swatow, Amoy items in the estimates. There were put had ever been a free port, and its continued and other ports. There was a stamp duty down \$23,000 for a new road, for a saprosperity rested on the freedom it enjoy- for instance of \$3 on a bill of \$2,500, and natorium and road at Kowloon; and ed; and he felt sure that, if there were any that was actually equivalent to a rate of gun boat \$26,000. No doubt a sanatorium discount that had been denounced as ex- at Kowloon would be a very pleasant thing, Thus I should like it to be distinctly un- not actually requisite, His Excellency cessive and intolerable by the Chambers of but this was not the proper time for such would pay every attention to the represent Commerce at Liverpool and other large a work, nor was it a matter of necessity. tations made to him on the subject (cheers). towns in England. In fact on 3 days' What was the object in view in proposing The Chairman then invited gentlemen to sight bills of \$2,500 to rather over \$5,000 to build a sanatorium he could not say, with Singapore it is vastly different; the value the rule to be levied was equal to 12 but at any rate be objected to pay for Mr McDovall, of the Oriental Bank, rose per cent per annum. Chinamen, since (cheers). It was, too, an unfit time and requested permission to read what he local Banknotes had not been so freely make new roads when old ones wanted had to say, as he was unaccustomed to make taken, had expressed a desire to make pay- mending. Besides, what was the use public speeches. It seemed to him that the ment at Canton for goods purchased here, making a new road up the new hill when colony was sufficiently taxed for all it got by which they would effect a saving of two protection could not be had in the Queen's to be found in the port." (cheers,) and that if it was further taxed, dollars in a thousand, and this would Road ! (cheers). No doubt His Excellency serve to show how they were likely to re- was willing to keep us up to the mark of it was previous to the destruction of the that of the export trade to Foochow and but the object of the resolution was to ask factories in 1856. It was the destruction Amoy, a large amount -- say two-thirds of His Excellency to defer this expenditure of Canton as a port that had raised Hong- the whole that went to the southern ports for a year or some definite period, until kong. The proposed expenditure in the of China-was negotiated in this Colony some better mode was found of raising the estimates. Mr M'Douall thought, embraced (cheers); and that fact should be borne in money (cheer). The resolution was as some unnecessary items. There was one mind by the Government. He thought follows :- "That although this meeting refor a new road which would never be used; the attempt to place taxes on those outside cognizes the fact that the Estimates for the another for a new gaol, which he hoped the jurisdiction of the colony, through the year 1867 are already passed, they think would not be wanted; and another for a | medium of commercial transactions, was ex- | that His Excellency the Governor should necessitate should be distributed over a series ford all the means that were necessary to Road, \$23,000; Gun-boat, \$20,000; voted \$750,000. Whence this discrepancy?

and carried unanimously. bear. He had no doubt that the revenue absence from the colony the measure had not carry them out." would be sufficiently elastic to bear such a | yet received much of his attention, but he had | Mr Pollard, Q.C., seconded the resocharge. But there were several items in learned enough of it to induce him to raise his lution. He endorsed the objections made the estimates that might be dispensed with | voice in remonstrance against the enactment, | by preceding speakers, and dwelt on the - the new road and the gun-boat. At any which he thought they were bound to render fact that the residents of Hongkong had very unfortunate in totally ignoring H. E. rate if the latter was retained, it should be inoperative. Previous speakers had eluci- always been ready to assist the local govcharged to the police rate. Then there was | dated the evils that would arise if it became | ernment, and expressed his opinion that the mint, which had already proved a fai- law, but there were other points worthy of advice from the old inhabitants of the island for the wigging administered by the Press lure, and would ever prove a drag upon the | consideration, particularly those which re- should have weight with His Excellency, colony while it was retained on its present | ferred to the practical working of the Act. | as they must necessarily best know what footing (cheers). Mr M'Douall then advert- The community of Hongkong had no desire was best for its interests. The port had ed to the amount of revenue likely to be to grudge the Governor the funds necessary flourished mainly because it had been free. derived under the new Act, and stated his to carry on the public work, and the Gov- If taxes, however slight or indirect, were estimate at over three and a half lakks of ernment of the colony, and to give it the to be imposed on trade, a feeling of dread we might have learnt what new thing there dollars. On the note circulation of the protection its interests demanded—(cheers); for the future would be created, and the Banks he stated that, taking the average and they did not come forward that day in effect would be that Hongkong would lowest amount of a Comprador's order from January to June last, there would be any captious spirit of objection to what was cease to be chief commercial mart of China the meeting by the opponents of the proa payment under the schedule of this Act, | hecessary for the colony. Nor would be (cheers), and Foochow and Macao would of \$26,000. That was, in fact, an under go so far as to criticise His Excellency's reap the advantages of which Hongkong estimate, so far as the note circulation of general policy; all that they asked was that | would voluntarily and unnecessarily dethe various Banks, went. Then he calcu- the money which was got from their own prive itself. He denied that any analogy lated that Stamps on Bills of Exchange &c, resources should be taken in the mode that existed between Singapore and Hongkong. would produce \$160,000; Comprador's or- | would weigh as little as possible on their | Singapore produced extensively; its cotton ders, \$20,000; Legal Documents, \$80,000; individual interests, and on the interests of produce was sufficient to enable its mer-Policies of Insurance, and Documents con- | the colony at large (cheers). He did not know | chants to bear stamp duties. In Hongnected with Shipping, \$80,000. If this whether any of them were sufficiently prac- kong we were not producers, and he was large amount was to be taken out of the | tical statesmen, acquainted with the work- persuaded that the imposition of any tax trade of Hongkong it would be hampered | ings of constitutional government in colo- on trade would be felt severely by all here, very seriously. It was a thing Hougkong | nies, to realise fully the consequences that from the highest merchant to the smallest had not been subjected to before. Mr would ensue from the carrying out of this shopkeeper (cheers). The Chinese calcu-M'Douall remarked that the imposition of | Act; but as that point had been fully | lated down to the least fraction, and a tax the Stamp Act had been justified by refe- | dwelt on by others, he would, simply re- of even one per cent, would be sufficient to rence to Singapore; but he contended there | marking that they had every desire to meet | drive them elsewhere; it was obvious that was no analogy between the commercial the necessary requirements of government, if sellers would not come here, buyers must positions of that place and of Hongkong. proceed to move the next resolution :- go where they are. The residents of Hong-The latter produced nothing, and if there | 'That in the opinion of this Meeting, even | kong were prepared to bear a tax on their was no trade to keep morehants here accepting the expenditure of the Colony rents and properties so long as the present of any tax is a most disagreeable duty, and they would go elsewhere. Hongkong for the year 1867 at the sum appearing on trade remained (cheers). He objected, too, was supported by the Imperial Govern- the debt side of the Estimates, there is no to the government raising money in anticiment for the sake of giving protection absolute necessity for any new mode of pation of expenditure. In all his experinone is necessary, even though we continue to the revenue which the Imperial Go- taxation, and that the sums necessary to be lence he had never heard of a tax being imvernment derived from the trade with Chi- spent in the year 1867 can be raised by posed first, and the expenditure increased na (cheers). But that trade might be re | modifications of the existing taxes and rates | accordingly. Mr Pollard argued against moved from Hongkong if the Act was en- in a manner calculated to he less prejudi- the retention of the items named in the given up, but strongly dissent from the idea forced. Indeed, several Chinamen, com- cial to the Colony, than by puting into resolution, and urged that if a gun boat was he has expressed, that an increase of taxpradors and others, had asked him what force this New Act so repugnant to the wanted for police purposes, the expense the Act meant, and he must say that he had | feelings of the Community." Mr Heard | entailed by it would properly be defrayed ation in the way of rates would be more been at a loss to answer them (cheers). proceeded to say that in his opinion no new out of the police rates. He disapproved People space of Singapore without consimilation was required to meet any of experimental expenditure, and cordially popular than the imposition of the prodoring the difference between that place and | deficiency in the revenue. The existing | seconded the resolution. Hongkong. Singapore was a place by it- | mode was simple and efficient, and as the self; its merchants could not go any where | alleged deficit was only a lakh of dollars, was it worth while to raise so small a sum by an Act which would bring trouble and ing resolution. "That a Memorial, em vexation into every office in the colony, bodying the wishes of the Community and native and foreign (cheers.) He thought | conveying to His Excellency the Governor not. He thought moreover, that the evils their request based upon the sentiments to pay a portion of the cost of a rebellion | that would ensue from it had not been expressed at this meeting, be drawn up and such as he hoped Englishmen in this part | exaggerated, for the tax would not fall on | presented to His Excellency, and that the of the world would never see (cheers). Mr | those who derived the greatest benefit from | following gentlemen be requested to act in M'Douall further objected that every of- the colony, but on those who were exiled drawing up the same and getting it signed icuce against the Act was made penal, and from their country to earn a living here and also to be a deputation of the comafter some other remarks, concluded by (cheers.) He appealed to any one who munity to present it-Messrs. McDouall, proposing the following resolution:- "That | knew what the China trade was to say by | Maclean, Dalziel, Kaiser, J. S. Lapraik in the opinion of this Meeting, the Stump | what possible system of interpretation the Parry, Sassoon, W. H. Forbes, Nissen. Ordinance which has recently passed its Government could manage to inflict the Ryrie, Kaye, D. R. Crawford, Coull, A. F. second reading before the Legislative Coun- enactment on the Chinese. How were they Peard, Bosman, T. B. Endicott and B. cil is a measure fraught with serious and to get hold of Chinese bills of exchange, grave-consequences to the well-being and and Chinese cheques and Comprador's orprosperity of this community; that by the | ders ! It would be impossible, and if posenormous burden it will cast upon trade, it sible there would be a complete exodus will certainly tend to the prejudice of all of Chinese from our shores—(cheers.) The existing interests in the Colony, and that I tax would fall on the foreign community : but would it be right to make them pay vernor to request him to postpone the third the only thing which would justify its inthe deficit, while the horde of Chinese at | reading of the Stamp Ordinance, position, viz :-- an imperious necessity. Taipingshau evaded it ! (cheers.) Mr / Mr Bosman seconded the resolution Heard referred to the amount of revenue which was carried. collectable under the Act. His own helief was that it would be more than that the resolution before the meeting was | double what was stated by Mr M'Douall, and that it would produce \$750,000 position of the Government alluded to was He urged that the existing mode of taxation be adhered to. Let existing rates be increased to meet the deficit Some thought a loan the most feasible way, but he preferred increasing the rates.

were no tonnage or harbour dues, there was no made but that of direct taxation, and he repeated his belief that the most equitable way to meet the deficit was to raise it directly from the renters (cheers). Mr KAYE, of the Chartered Bank of Inconsideration had been given to it that dia and China, seconded the resolution. there appeared no clause exempting Trea- He cordially concurred with the previous sury Bilis. He also observed no mention i speakers. No doubt the Governor was saevery one would be anxious to assist the vice performed by our local journals. Government in getting the funds required From what had heen said by the ma- but by a better mode than by this troublenager of the Oriental Bank, he learnt some and vexations act (hear). They all that the taxes under the Act would knew that the main part of business was amount to nearly 4 lakhs of dolars, done in two days before the departure of A Public Meeting, convened by the She- whereas only one lakh was renbired, and the mail, and so it might happen that, every document having to pass through their hands, they might find that they had unwittingly committed half a dozen serious errors, through accidental non-compliance Excellency to "postpone or abolish" the to promise that official should make (cheers), with the act. Mr Heard had referred to the alternative of raising money some other way, by increasing the police rate, for he had been requested to call the meeting, had passed. Why, then, should the Co- instance; but he (Mr K.) had some little doubt whether that rate should be increased on account of a deficiency in revenue, seeing that it was a rate simply for police purposes. But the deficiency might be met by a rate

There were no other sources of revenue left

it was the first time he had occupied such a ed knew anything about it. Had this meet- it was raised from incomes or from rental. them in the house tax (cheer).

The resolution was carried unanimously

Mr G. F. MACLEAN, junr, of Lyall, Still might be desirable for a Colony with a The resolution was put to the meeting, surplus in hand, the works are not of such Mr Albert Heard said that owing to his tion when a new tax has to be imposed to

The Chairman then put the resolution.

and it was carried unanimously.

Mr Arthur Sassoon proposed the follow Mr Hellandseconded the resolution which

passed unanimously. Mr Pollard then proposed that Messrs Arthur, McDouall, Walker, and Kaye be appointed a deputation to wait on the Go-

After a vote of thanks to the Chairman

the meeting separated. length upon it to-day; but there is one | that the damaging consequences predicted The Chairman (who spoke sealed) said and the Consequence as and the consequence, as ally become law before those most interest— on rentals. It was really no matter whether supposed difference, which does not exist. The objections to the Act urged by the

s will be seen by the subjoined extract rom the leading article in the Straits Times of the 18th instant. The editor protests against the alteration in the usance of India and China bills being made applicable to Singapore, on the ground that it will disarrange local trade.

" No place (says the Times) can possibly restrictions on trade than Singapore. Boma bay, Calcutta, Ceylon and the ports of China have their produce within themselves, which is bound to find its way to a market whatever the impediments. But produce exported here is, as a rule, the growth of other countries-gathered here solely by reason of the mercantile facilities

After this we hope to hear no more of the Singapore argument in objection to the principle of a Stamp Act, and the application thereof to Hongkong. One more remark we may venture on : supposed competent authorities at the meeting differed materially as to the amount derivable under the schedule to the Act, one placing it at \$350,000 the other at And why was the schedule persistently every speaker knew that the governor had importance as to necessitate their comple- distinctly stated that it was to be revised by the Council, and that his object was to impose only so much duty as would serve to meet the deficit? There was something letter, and this we suppose may account to the gentlemen by whom the meeting was "managed." We regret His Excellency will not concede the time asked for, as is that can be added to what was said at

> WE insert hereunder the following letter which we have received respecting the proposed Stamp Act, as although it is somewhat opposed to our own views upon the subject, it is written in a tone which cannot fail to call attention to the arguments advanced by the writer.

> Our opinion may be expressed in a few words. We deem the imposition of a Stamp Act to be decidedly unadvisable, but consider an increase of rates and taxes still more likely to cause dissatisfaction. We agree with Mr Whittall's proposition that the Road and Gunboat be posed Act :-

> > THE STAMP ACT.

To the Editor of the "EVENING MAIL." HONGKONG, August 24th, 1866.

Sir,-I gather from a remark in your paper of last evening that you object to the Stamp Act, though you have deferred stating your objections in detail. I am aware that your contemporary, the Daily Press, is upon the same side, but with this difference: that it has supplied the nonofficial members of the Council with the statements they have made in opposition to the Ordinance, and it may therefore be held to be irrevocably committed to the view it has adopted. So that it is vain to expect that the leading columns of either of your journals will be employed, so far as this question is concerned, otherwise than in attempting to strengthen the position you have both assumed. You affect The extent to which we have reported the to speak in behalf of the whole communiproceedings at the meeting on the Stamp | ty, and of course I must give you credit Act precludes us from commenting at for sincerity. The Mail doubtless believes blunder into which several of the speakers by the Press, and stated by the non-offifell-having been led thereunto by their | cial members of the Council, as certain to "guide, philosopher, and friend," the arise from the passing of the measure. Press-that should be corrected at once. will be mevitable; but there is a very His Excellency refers to Singapore as a large section of the community—the bulk place where stamp duties are imposed of the ratepayers-who do not coincide without interruption to commerce. The with you, and in their behalf I respectfully made of Newspapers as included in the tisfied that additional revenue must be opponents of the proposed Stamp Act solicit a share of your open columns with Schedule, and presumed this was intended raised, and he (Mr K.) felt certain that do not allege that the operation of a the view of ratio. similar measure in the sister settlement is | tions which have been lost sight of. This unsatisfactory, but they refuse to recognise is a question of taxation. In all such any analogy between the circumstances questions, class interests are stimulated of Singapore and Hongkong because, they into activity for the purpose of self-prosay, the former is a port of export for a tection. Our merchant legislators and large amount of native produce, and that their friends have been inordinately viotherefore shipping must resort to it, while leut in their opposition to the Ordinance; Hongkong is simply a depot from which and, as unreasonable men always do, have commerce would be diverted by the im- committed themselves to expressions which position of stamp duties of even a very I am sure (at any rate I hope) they will moderate amount on documents relating to be ashamed of when they are cool enough shipping. Much stress has been laid on this to understand the true nature of the Act. eil are three-fold. 1st .- That it will deprive the Colony

of its character as a Free Port. 2nd .- That it is distasteful to the Chi-

nese, who will take their trade elsewhere if the ordinance is made law.

quired, or, if the revenue is really insuf- | whether it is for a leg of mutton for the ing the police and water rates.

deavour to persuade the Hon. Members | cur, believing that it provides the fairest that their objections to the Stamp Act are possible means for meeting our present ridiculously untenable.

took up this note, and declared from their and professional men to overcome the diffiand they protest against it." The Gover- people. I am, Sir, yours. nor ventured to oppose this constellation of politico-mercantile talent; I really think that he will easily bear the responsibility of doing so, for, if the Ordinance were to become law to-morrow the Port would remain as free as ever: It creates no harhour dues, it imposes no customs charges, ships may still come and go exempt from imagination-in plain, literal truth the commerce of the Port will remain as unfettered as in the palmiest days of its prosperity. What is it, then, that has thrown these representative gentlemen into such a painful state of excitement? I have carefully looked through the schedule of the Ordinance, and I find that the following stamp duties are proposed :-

ment of, each part, \$0.10 Charter Party for hiring vessel,... 1.00 Policy of Insurance, where the premium does not exceed £1..... 0.15 Policy of Insurance, where the premium does not exceed £1 and not more than £2..... Protest of any commander of vessel Notice of intention do.,....

bill of Luding, or acknowledge-

There is also a progressive duty on bottomry bond, and these are literally all the duties in the schedule that can by any possibility be regarded as bearing on shipping; and I confidently put it to the common sense of any ordinarily intelligent man whether they are likely to cause the transference of the trade of the port to Macao or Canton, or to lead to the disastions effect prophesied by your contem-The non-official members are evidently under a misapprehension of the term "free port."

Secondly. As to the alarm that will be created in the Chinese mind by the Sump Act. While the houses of Dent and Jar- assessed rates was the fairest and easiest dine remain in Hongkong, it is not likely that the Chinese will be induced by any obstacles thrown in their way by this Ordinance to diminish their commercial connection with the Colony. That might be endangered by the form of taxation which meets with most favour from the nonofficial members, and which I now,

Thirdly, proceed to notice. Of the general estimates I shall pronounce opinion; they may or not have been framed in the most scientific manner. What I as a ratepayer feel is this, that whereas a certain deficiency in the re- few remarks with regard to the non-official venue has to be made up by increase of taxation, the non-official merchant members think it equitable, while opposing the Stamp Act upon purely imaginary grounds, to suggest as a substitute for it the doubling our police and water rates. | dering this is healthy central point for mer-No doubt that would be a much less diffi cult mode of augmenting the revenue than | time was very small, and it was scarcely that available under the Stamp Act; but cren a Chinaman might reasonably object | that he preferred the Stamp Act, which only taxed him in proportion to business risen considerably, and until lately, when done, to the unvarying pressure of an increased taxation for police-already dear | the Mint &c.) it was in excess of expendiat the present cost, or for water-of which he now comumes as much as he desires. It is not the complexities of the Stamp Act that will puzzle the Chinese, or drive I do not mean to say that the foreign comthem from the Colony. To advance such an objection to the Ordinance is nonsense has been accorded to every subject in the just as pure as the assertion that it will mother country and in many of the colonies, discourage commerce, and Mr Whittall but I think the community is entitled to and his non-official friends speculated very strongly either on the ignorance or apathy | preponderance of that element which has of the ratepayers when they committed t emselves to the opinion that to increase | ble and willing the official members of the is in direct violation of the 12th article of

objectionable mode of increasing the re-

I do not say that the Stamp Act is a a perfect model of its kind; in some particulars, it may be capable of amendmentplacing a duty on a comprador's order, 3rd .- That further taxation is not re- without reference to the nature of the order, ficient, the most proper and the fairest domestic table, or for the delivery of a mode of meeting the deficiency is by rais- cargo at a godown-seems to be straining a point a little too far. But with the gene-With your permission, Sir, I will en- ral principle of the measure I fully confinancial exigencies. I hope His Excel-First. Hitherto, said Mr Whittall at the lency will persevere with it, and that it last meeting of Council, Hongkong had will become law. It will at first prove a been a free port, and it was to this cir- little troublesome, but a very slight effort cumstance that the prosperity of the Co- of the intelligence for which Hongkong is Tony was due. His non-official colleagues so remarkable, will enable our nicrchants experience of the trade of this place that culty; and they will eventually have the most disastrous effect on its commerce, To ure contributing their fair share towards contemporary, "Mr Whittall, Mr Deut, and not enjoying a selfish immunity from Mr Gibb say, this measure is disastrous, taxation at a expense of much poorer

To the Editor of the Evening Mail. Hongrong, 25th August, 1866. SIR, -- Your correspondent "Memo" has drawn upon his fancy for his facts in stat-

ing that Mr. Whittall and his nou-official colleagues recommended the Governor to increase the revenue of the colony by an addition to the assessed taxes, rather than pilotage fees, wharfage rates exist only in by a Stamp Act. On the contrary, these gentlemen argued that no fresh taxation was necessary, and that any such would be most unjust in the face of the Military Contribution, as ding that if, unfortunately, a small deficit should occur in 1867, it might be met by either a temporary loan,

or an addition to the Police-rate. Mr. Whittall did, however, most decid edly object to the Stamp Act, and I hearti ly agree with him.—Yours obediently,

THE STAMP ACT AND MR WHITTALL Sir, -" Bostoniau " says I must have drawn upon my fancy for my facts in stating that Mr Whittall and his non official friends recommended the governor increase the assessed rates, rather than have the stamp act. Let us see what the reports say. The Muil reports Mr Whittall to say " if a loan was not desirable there might be an increase of the police and lighting rates," rather than the stamp act. necessary to increase the revenue, then he would ask the Council to increase the police and lighting rate." The report in the Press is identical. I submit, therefore, that my statement was strictly accurate and not

Mr Gibb followed up Mr. Whittall's suggestion by saying that " the community would not object if the police and water related rate were doubled, rather than have a

Mr Dent did not propose to use the police rate as a substitute for the act, but he thought that "the half-cost of the gunboat which the home government offered to furnish should be raised out of air increase of the police rates,"

This increase of the Police and Lighting rates was the dominant idea among the non-official members, and the Governor distinctly said that "the suggestion to raise more money by doubling the police rates, if the community wished it, should have his serious attention." Evidently the perfect-concurrence of opinion among the non o heial members, that an increase of the mode of raising extra revenue, had much influence on his Excellency's mind, and induced him to pay more attention to the snggestion than it deserves This is the point which I wished to place before your readers in by last, and the appearance of " Bostomian's" " correction" enables me to reproduce it with additional evidence of its importance to the rate payers.

To the Editor of the " Evening Mail,"

HOMORONG, 27 h Jay, 1866 Sir.—Leaving to the meeting to be held at the Court house to-morrow, to explain to your correspondent " Memo, " and those few others who may possibly be in favor of the Stamp act, what objections they have to its introduction I would like to make a members of the Legislative Council.

For a number of years after the Legislative Council had been established, the colony was to a large extent dependent upon the subsidy received annually from the mother country, as the Revenue of the colony was not sufficiently large to defray the expences incurred with a view of rencantile as well as for warlike operations; The number of European residents at that should meet with any restrictions.

Since then, however, the foreign community has greatly increased in wealth, and numbers, the Revenue of the colony has heavy burdens were thrown upon the colony (Military contribution, establishment of ture, and the colony so far independent of

the mother country. 'fhe community might therefore now fairly expect to have at least a limited voice in the administration of its internal affairs. munity of Hongkong should claim an equal share in the government of the colony, as although they are sometimes but very small: be represented in the council by at least 7 non-official members, so as to ensure a the largest interest at stake in the good government of the island. However capa-

of the colony, there can be no doubt what- "The Chinese government will place no pector Manoel da Silva. These men have other cargo to Amoy by the United States ever that those emment firms now partly represented in the Legislative Council, have at least an equal amount of intelligence, experience, and influence at their command, which ought to be availed of at the making

of new ordinances. Nobody ought to be afraid that the welfare of the colony and the mother country. could be affected by any ordinance that might be passed by a Legislative Council, in which the colony is more fairly represented, and I will briefly state my reasons for this assertion:

1 The non-official members are appointed by the crown, and there are certainly at least seven intelligent merchants in the colony, to whom the Colonial Secretary might confide a seat and vote in the council with as much safety as to any of his subordinate officials, who now are members ex-officio.

members the governor as president would still have a casting vote in addition to his own vote as member.

3. If any ordinance, proposed by the governor, should be lost by the opposition of the non official members, the governor has nevertheless the right to make and promulgate it as an ordinance of the Go- thority to be utterly unworthy of praise, Shareholders in this Company was held at vernor and Legislative Council, even though all the members of the Council, except himself, should have voted against the adoption and passing thereof (vide insthe Stamp Act was calculated to have a proud satisfaction of knowing that they | tructions to the governor of Hongkong.

In fact the Governor would always be at use the precise words preserved by your sustaining the Colony, and that they are liberty pass an ordinance on his own res-

At present the three non official members certainly do not hold an enviable position: they may say what they like, they know before hand that the Governor will politely tell them that he is glad to have the advantage of such experienced men in the Council, yet notwithstanding, with all the forces at this command he will ensure an easy; though perhaps not always glorions victory over the representative mem-

Court house would be invited to express their opinion with regard to a petition to be forwarded to Her Majesty, praying for the admission of some more non official members into the Council. + 1 am Sir your obedient servant.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

THE case of Saffordeen, charged with forgery and perjury come off yester av before F. W. Mitchell, Esq., at the Police | terpreter in China.

The Court did not rise until | past 6 o'clack, so that we had not time to report the trial in our last night's issue, and as full reports have been given of it in the morning papers, we will only mention the patrire of the charge and the decision of the Magistrate.

The prosecution was on behalf of Rahim Virigi, and charged the prisoner under four counts Ist, with having forged two promisery notes for \$500 each; and The Mercury's version is-" if it was really | 2dly, with having issued the same; 3dly with conspiracy to cheat and defraud; and 4thly, with perjury, he having falsely sworn at the trial of the case of Saffordeen. v. Vnigi before the Summary Jurisdiction Court on the 21st instant.

The prisoner was committed for trial before the Supreme Court, and bail was

Evening Mail, Aug. 23.

SCRATCH FOUR OARED RACES. Tue deciding heat was pulled last evening, and a very good race was witnessed by the spectators on shore and affort. Only two Boots being left, a very close

Alr. Bottomley's Boat made a better start than the other, and got about half length ahead. This however was mad up in about 150 yards by Young's crew and then it very pret y race was rowe un il ab at half the length of the course, the Boats going bow and bow. Young then called upon his crew. and by a slarp spart, they managed to draw shead. This advantage they kept all through the rest of the course, and although Mr Bottomley called for a spurt his crew were unable to make up the lost distance and Mr. Young's Boat came in the winner by a length. Time 3 min.

This was one of the best and quickest races which have taken place in Houskong for some years. Both crews rowed well and pluckily, and the pace was very good

considering their want of training. This ends the first races for Scratch fours in Hongkong, and we heartily congratulate the Regatta Club on the success that attended them: We trust that they will persevere, and that the non rowing part of the community may see many more races as good. HE, the Governor was present in his barge, and appeared much interested. Evening Mail, Aug. 23.

THERE was quite a concourse of people in Queen's Road Central, vesterday afternoon, to see the floggings bestowed upon some culprits. Of these latter there were only six, but about a dozen or so of other necessary that the power of the Governor | gaolbirds were present to witness the proceedings, from which, it is to be hoped, they will take salutary warning. flagellations were well and energetically applied, but nervous people should rather abstain from being present at it, as it is by no means a pleasant sight.

> A CASE recently came before the Mixed Court at Shanghai, in which, says the Re-

Evening Mail, Aug. 25.

corder, it was brought out plainly that the Chehsien or district magistrate had, for a consideration, granted to certain parties the exclusive right f leasing the services of coolies for labour at the various wharves and jetties, public and private, and that these monopolists interfered with the free employment of native labour by foreigners, in such a manner as to raise considerably beyond the market rate the wages of such labourers, and otherwise exercise undue control over them while so employed. This

non-official merchant members of the Coan- the water and police rates was the least council may be to promote the prosperity Tients in treaty, which is to the effect that Police force, at the head of which is Ins- to the Customs for permission to ship and by British subjects of Chinese subjects, in any lawful capacity." To such an extent, however, has this clause been disregarded, backed by a body of armed followers, attempted to forcibly interfere with a coolie of independent views, who declined to acknowledge their sway. They were heavily fined, and the decision of the court will probably tend to suppress such interference with sight the rof labour.

> In Memorian -The accounts of expenditure in erecting the column at Shanghae 2. If the Council were composed of 14 fell in Gordon's campaigns, have been published. The total expenditure is \$1522, a balance remaining in hand of \$180. It may be said that the monument has been erected at Chinese cost, as His Excellency Le Tatai gave \$1500 toward it. The monument is pronounced by a local au- THE third annual general meeting of the

> > either as a work of art, or as an intended three P.M. this day in the Club Chambers. memorial of honor to brave men. It is There was a good attendance. The chair erected upon one of the most prominent | was taken by R. Deacon, Esq. sites on the bund and is therefore a still more extravagant outrage upon the good taste of the community.

> > > Evening Mail, Aug 28.

Evening Mail, Ang. 25.

WE announced a few days since that the new half dollar had been issued from the Mint, and our contemporary the Daily be adopted. Press is pleased to comment on the ab ence of fact, as he torms it, in that and various other announcements we have made. We are sorry that the new half dollars have not reached his office, but can assure him that facts are on our side in this instance. It would be well if the meeting at the Some half dollars have been issued from the mint in exchange for bank notes; we have, however, no reason to believe that any number required is obtainable simply upon application, nor did we imply that in our former notice.

Evening Mail, Aug. 28.

THE office of assistant and accountant to the Legation in Japan has become vacant by the death of Mr J. Macdonald; Mr E. G. Sartoris has been appointed to be an attaché ; and Mr E. Egan to be a student in-

Evening Mail, August .8.

NINETEEN boxes of bar silver said to belong to the Agra and Masternan's Bank, were seized by the sheriff, M. S. Tonnochy, Esq., on board the Northam just as she was on the point of leaving with the mail. Is another Bank complication at

Evening Mail, Aug. 28.

In a late issue of the Evening Mail, we noticed that a Mr Rowan had been knocked down by a gang of Chinamen and an attempt made to rob him, while he was walking along Queen's Road, a little West of the British Hotel, about 8 A. M.

Last evening at the same hour or a little later, the Captain of some steamer was knocked down and robbed in the

same place. We have not been able to learn the particulars of the damage done or the

name of the party.

Even n : Mail, Aug. 28.

THE Gallows is again rearing its head in the rear of the Gaol compound; for tomorrow morning there is work cut out for it. Cheong Chat Tai, the criminal to be, executed, has recently evinced a little more disposition to be communicative, but he does not appear thus far to have made any disclosures worthy of notice. From his present deiposition, however, it is just possible that he may make a kind of confession before he pays the penalty of his

Evening Mail, Aug. 29.

THERE was a smaller number of spectators present at the Execution of Cheong Chat Tai, this morning, than is usual on such occasions. Precisely at 6 o'clock the criminal was conducted to the scaffold; a Chinese Catholic priest there took leave of him, and immediately afterwards the Sheriff made a sign, but for a few seconds there appeared some obstruction in the fall of the drop, which however, by a jerk energetically applied to it, gave way. - The fall of the body, although sudden and from a tolerable height, did not appear to have the effect of extinguishing life at once, as convulsive motions continued for several minutes subsequent to the bolt being drawn. It may be, therefore, said that Cheoug Chat Tai, the pirate and probable murderrer, died hard.

Among the spectators in Arbuthno road a European fainted about ten minutes before the Execution took place, probably from the effects of over excitement in anticipation of the scene shortly to be enacted -and the exceedingly sultry weather. is reported that Cheong Chat Tai has made a confession of his guilt to the Rev.

Evening Mail, Aug. 29.

WE learn that H. E. the Governor has consented to postpone the meeting of the Legislative Council relative to the Stamp Act until Friday next, at 3 P.M. The community appear to think that a somewhat longer delay might be accorded under the circumstances.

Evening Mail, Aug. 29.

A convict, employed in the Chaingang, endeavored to escape near Queen's Road Central, this afternoon at 2 o'clock, but before he could effect his purpose, he was shot dead by one of the guards. An inquest wi'l be held on his body in the course of to-morrow.

Evening Mail, Aug, 29.

The first business before the Court this the difficulty at Amoy would have been morning was to swear in thirteen China- raised and set at rest by the precedent in men, who had recently joined the Water her case, and Messrs McPhail & Co. applied

better themselves by meeting with different employment.

Evening Mai!, Ang. 16.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOC COMPANY.

The Secretary J. S. Lapraik, Esq. read the report, which contained a recommendation that a dividend be declared, at the rate of 14 per cent per annum, on paid up capital of \$495,050.

The following resolutions were then carried unanimously seriatim. 1. - Proposed by the Chairman, seconded

by Geo. D. Helland, Esq. -That the report 2.—Proposed by Hon. J. C. Whyte, Esq. seconded by J. Hart, Esq. -That Messrs Smith, Bosman and D. Lapraik be reelected on the committee, and that the Hon, Jas.

Whittall and Mr Geo. B. Helland be appointed to act in the same capacity in the place of the Hon. Thos. Sutherland and Mr R. Deacon resigned. 3.—Proposed by G. H. Heaton, Esq. seconded by the Hon. Jas. Whyte. That

abonus of \$4000 be tendered to the members of the committee for their zeal and services to the company for the past year. 4 —Proposed by Mr Bosman, seconded by Mr Cheverton. That the present meeting be adjourned until 12th September and

copies of proposed new deed of settlement

be furnished to sharcholders for nerusal 5.—Proposed by Geo. J. Helland, Esq. seconded by O. H. Burrows, Esq. that a special vote of thanks be given to the Hon. Thos. Sutherland and D. Lapraik, Esq. for their great exertions in the interest of

A vote of thanks was then passed to the clairman and the meeting separated. We subjoin an abstract of the Balance

CAPITAL ACCOUNT. For the Year ending 30th June, 1866. WHAMPOA DOCK, WHAMPOA Assets, ...\$638,577.39 Linbil-

ABERDEEN DOCK. Assets, ...\$453.540.19 \$453,540.19

REVENUE ACCOUNT

o Sundries\$304.550 By Gross amount Profit,... poa and Aberdeen Dock from 1st July \$384,030 1805 to June 30th 1866,.....\$384.038

THE EMBARGO ON RICE AT TAIWAN.

MEETING OF CONSULS AT AMOY. A GENERAL discussion was held at Amoy the 9th day of July 1866, at the request of W. P. Jones, Esq., United States Consul at Amoy, by the Consuls who represent the Treaty Powers at Amoy, on the illegality of the continued embargo on Rice at Taiwan and the difficulties that have arisen at Amoy in consequence. Specially with reference to the present case of the United

The case of the Teculee as put by Mr

Jones, was thus. - The Taoutai at Taiwan,

States schooner l'eenlee.

so long ago as September 1864, issued a proclamation prohibiting the export of Rice from Taiwan and Takao. This proclamation in the first instance was illegal and in the face of the treaty would never be justifiable except in cases of extreme exigency : and even then to have made it apply to the property of foreigners, the approval and recognition of the foreign consuls should have been obtained. This prohibition has never been sanctioned by the higher authorities. It has been repeatedly protested against, both by foreign merchants and by the Consuls at Taiwan. And yet it has never relaxed, but has been maintained with rigour by the aid of the foreign Customs as affecting foreign vessels, while the Chinese junks, even under the frequent personal observations of H. B. M. Consul, and notwithstanding unceasing protests and declarations on the part of foreign merchants daily cognizant of such violation of the prohibition, have, with the connivance of the authori; ties, been free throughout the greater part of the two years of the embargo, to export the prohibited article, without let or hindrance. Lately, Mr Watters, who is Acting British Consul at Taiwan, had another interview with the Chinese Authorities and demand- future similar cases until the matter shall ed the withdrawal of the embargo; to which he received a toply, that so soon as the commodity fell in price to \$2.50 a picul, the embargo might be considered at an end. On his return from Taiwan to Takao he found rice at \$1.80 per pical. He wroteword to the Mandarins and asked for the fulfillment of their word. The Mandarins would not remove the embargo. The merchants and Mr Watters were exasperated, and an attempt was made to force the question by exporting a small cargo of rice belonging to the British merchants, Mc Phail & Co. from Takao in the British schooner Pearl under the protection of H.B.M. guuboat Grasshopper. The Pearl was lost on her voyage to Amoy, and the question consequently did not on that occasion come to an issue with the Customs Authorities at Amov. The loss however of the Pearl not being known at Takao, it was supposed that

restriction whatever upon the employment pretty hard work, considering they must schooner Tecnlee. The Customs refused perbe at it day and night. Wages of \$6.80 to mission, and the papers of the Teenlee being \$8. and for Sergeants from \$9 to \$13; ledged at the British Consulate (there being seems scarcely sufficient for such labor, ac- no United States. Consul at Takao,), the companied as it sometimes is by considera- bond required by the 5th Rule (III) of the that in the case in question, the defendants, ble risk to limb and life. The Lokons, Rules appended to the British Tariff, to employed on shore, get \$10, and the Ser- guarantee that the rice was for export to a geants \$15, and have perhaps less to do Chinese port only, was entered into before and are not incurring the danger the Wa- the British Acting Consul and his sanction ter Policemen do. The former, ind- procured to the shipment. The Chinese ependent of higher pay, are altoge- gunboat Folunteer was at the time at Tather privileged beings in comparison kao with the Chintai for Formosa on board to the latter.—The question forces itself The Commissioner of Customs called on upon one, why should this be so ! Point the Chintai and on the Mandarin comd'argent, point de Suisse, is a well known | manding the Volunteer, to assist him in French saying, and it is quite certain that seizing the Trealee. This assistance the unless this important branch of the police mandarias declined to give. The Volumforce is more liberally remunerated, "good teer was herself loading with Rice and has men and true" will keep aloof from it, or a since come to Amoy with the prchibited in memory of the officers and men who all events only remain in it until they can' commodity. The Rice has been sold in Amoy, and it is well known for the most part on private account. On arrival of the Teenlee at Amoy the Customs sealed up her hatches and recommended the Hai-kwall to insist on the confiscation of her cargo, on the plea that she had not conformed to the Customs Rules at Takao, had come to Amov without Customs clearance and other papers and was thereby guilty of an illegality. The question was discussed by the follow-

ing Consuls. Robert Swinhoe, Esq., H.B.M. Consulat

F. T. Gisbert, Esq., H.C.M. Consul at

T. C. Wardlaw, Esq., vice Consul for France and Consul for Portugal. E. Tye, Esq., vice Consul for Denmark T. | aterson, Esq., H. N. M's vice Consul. C. Kruger, Esq., Acting Prussian vice

W. P. Jones, Esq., U.S. Consul; and as the matter in dispute is considered of international importance, and affecting the in-

terests of all the Treaty Powers alike, the following resolutions were unnanimously subscribed to. Resolution I. That we consider that no Chinese Authority has the right to inter-

fere with the export of goods the property of foreign merchants, such goods not being declared contraband by the Treaty. Resolution II. That the export of rice. the property of foreign merchants, so long as the conditions enjoined by Rule 5th III. of the Rules appended to the British Tariff are conformed with cannot

be prohibited in foreign vessels by a Chi nese authority without the sanction of the Foreign Consuls, which would doubtless be obtained in cases of real exigency, subject to the approval of the ministers at Peking. For hi our opinion the rule for consular government is to recognize no restrictions or departures from the authorized Treatics and Tariff unless first submitted to by the Ministers and notified officially through them to the Consuls.

Resolution III. That the Taontai at Taiwan in prohibiting foreign vessels from exporting rice, the property of foreign merchants, was guilty of a breach of the Treaty, which should have been met by protests on the part of the Consuls and the

Res lution IV. That frequent and constaut protests having been carried to the said Taoutai, his nevertheless insisting on maintaining the embargo for the space of \$638,577.39 nearly two years, in the face of the fact that the plea of dearth or prices which might have justified him in the first place in preventing his subjects from exporting the commedity, did not hold good in the present clieap rate of rice, and called for more decisive action.

Resolution V. That the said Taoutai in conniving at Chinese junks exporting rice from Takao, though such cases were repeat-Cr. | odly brought to his notice, and insisting upon the Customs enforcing a strict carbargo on foreign vessels, was guilty of gross and unwarrantable partiality in fa-

vour of his own people. Ressolution VI. That the said Taotai has been induced by bribes and false representations as to the price of rice, by the Taiwan rice guild, who are also large junk owners, to issue the prohibition and to maintain it throughout to the favor of Chinese junks, and the detriment of foreign shipping.

Resolution VII. . That Mr Thomas Watters in the cases of the Pearl and Teculee, was justified in the steps which he has taken, to bring the long-vexed question to

Resolution WIII. That the illegality in not having the Teenlee provided with documents in form required by the treaty was on the part of the Customs at Takao, who in obedience to instructions of the said Taoutai, and in spite of the Treaty, refused to issue such documents and to sauction

the shipments. Resolution IX. That we unite in resisting the confiscation of the Teenlee's cargo, and of all cargoes shipped under similar circumstances, and to protect vessels so employed from fine and other harm on the part of the Customs, until the question shall have been decided by reference to the ministers of the various Treaty Powers at

Resolution X. That if the Customs at Amoy consent to the landing of the Teenlee's cargo, they have a right to claim the duty on the rice, which should have been collected at its port of shipment. Resolution XI. That we see no objection

to a bond being given by the consignees of the Teenlee's cargo, guaranteeing the cost value of the rice to the Customs should the ministers at Peking decide on its confiscation. This virtually removes the question in dispute at once from ourselves to our several chiefs at Peking, to whom in any case the question would have to be referred, and we will be prepared to regard the present determination of the case of the Teenlee as a precedent for our several action in have been finally decided by the high authorities residing at the Chinese Capital-

Resolution XII. Lastly that we one and all address our several ministers on this important question and submit to each a copy of these our unanimous resolutions. Signed and scaled,

ROBERT SWINHOE, H. B. M. Consul at A moy. F. T. GISBERT, Consular Espano en Emoy. J. C. WARDLAW, H. I. M. Vice Consul Amoy.

EDWARD PYE, H. D. M. Vice Consul at Amoy. CÆSAR KRUGER, seting Prussian Vice Consul. JOHN PATERSON, H. N. M. Vice Consul. T. C. WARDLAW,

W. P. JONES, U. S. Consul Acting at Amoy.

Consul for Portugal.

AND THE OSPREY (From Matchell's Mari A disaster, which is as results as it is mysterious curred at 10 belock on in the English Channel, 1 and the Start On a fine no wind or current to con or divert attention, two f steamers in the open seaship of war and the other steamer-suddenly came terrinc violence, resulting of the one within five min other shortly afterwards: of war Amazon lift Spith for Halifax, Nova Scotia, pointed to the North She had on lipard a Crew and about 20 supernumer zon was a four gan-screw tons and 30% horse pow built and constructed of designed by Mr. E. J. Constructor of the Navy. been armour plated, but subsequently abalidoned. furnished with as submer The Amazou had it is s hour named a steamer wa two points of the starbos showing the proper light five miles distant She screw steamer Usprey each other the Amazon p a-starboard, andrexhibite but the Osprey, it is furt helm hard a hore and e light. The Esuls of the that as the Amazon fell o across the Agazida's fore mazon ran into the Ospi quarter, striging her abo length from Her Hern. ed but very attle damag but was fearfully crushed line by the prowed the the Osprey the greatest on the collis ou the ma clambered intover the bo zon, which grotaded ov then a dreacful mene oc instantly found that the tling down by tim stern, built in three edupartin at the stokeole at whi ter comparisents joined. being crush id in the c of no service. Il great ed into the ingite-room Engineer wis in charge ped the engine on hear sion, rushed on neck, b cape the floyd of water. of the Crewand passen various stages for nue to the following part boat. The Cartain cu and placed hill childre loon passengers in the could be offered from t went down and one of the gunwals of the bua who were sill it were the The Crew of the Ospre clambered juto the A hand up repession he were promptie lowers zin, and the Captain a were picked up by on tain's wife who was night dress will hanled

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toms for permission to ship anto Amoy by the United States enlee. The Customs refused per-I the papers of the Tecnice being e British Consulate (there being States Consul at Takao.), the ed by the 5th Rule (III) of the nded to the British Tariff, to hat the rice was for export to a t only, was entered into before Acting Consul and his sauction the shipment. The Chinese duateer was at the time at Tae Chintai for Formosa on board. ssioner of Customs called on i, and on the Mandarin come - Volunteer, to assist him in Trealee. This assistance the declined to give. The Volumself loading with Rice and has to Amoy with the prohibited The Rice has been sold in it is well known for the most rate account. On arrival of the moy the Customs sealed up her recommended the Hai-kwan to e confiscation of her cargo, on it she had not conformed to the iles at Takao, had come to Amoy stoms clearance and other papers reby guilty of an illegality.

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tion was discussed by the follow-

ardlaw, Esq., vice Consult for Consul for Portugal. Esq., vice Consul for Denmark. son, Esq., H.N.M's vice Consul. er, Esq., Acting Prussian vice

mes, Esq., U.S. Consul ; and as in dispute is considered of intersportance, and affecting the inil the Treaty Powers alike, the resolutions were unnanimously

a I. That we consider that no uthority has the right to interhe export of goods the property nerchants, such goods not being ntraband by the Treaty. n II. That the export of rice.

rty of foreign merchants, so e conditions enjoined by Rule of the Rules appended to the riff are conformed with cannot ted in foreign vessels by a Chi rity without the sanction of the onsuls, which would doubtless d in cases of real exigency, subapproval of the ministers at for in our opinion the rule for overnment is to recognize no or departures from the authories and Tariff unless first subby the Ministers and notified offiigh them to the Consuls.

on III. That the Taoutai at prohibiting foreign vessels from rice, the property of foreign , was guilty or a breach of the hich should have been met by the part of the Consuls and the

on IV. That frequent and conssts having been carried to the said his nevertheless insisting on ig the embargo for the space of years, in the face of the fact olea of dearth or prices which e justified him in the first place ting his subjects from exporting odity, did not hold good in the reap rate of rice, and called for ave action.

on V. That the said Taoutai in at Chinese junks exporting rice io, though such eases were repeatght to his notice, and insisting Customs enforcing a strict canforeign vessels, was guilty of dunwarrantable partiality in fais own people.

tion VI. That the said Taotai induced by bribes and false repres as to the price of rice, by the ce guild, who are also large junk o issue the prohibition and to it throughout to the favor of Chis, and the detriment of foreign

on VII. That Mr Thomas Watcases of the Pearl and Teculee, fied in the steps which he has bring the long-vexed question to

on VIII. That the illegality in g the Teanlee provided with docuform required by the treaty was rt of the Customs at Takao, who ence to instructions of the said and in spite of the Treaty, refused such documents and to sanction

ion IX. That we unite in resistinfiscation of the Teenlee's cargo. ll cargoes shipped under similar nces, and to protect vessels so from fine and other harm on the he Customs, until the question been decided by reference to the of the various Treaty Powers at

ion X. That if the Customs at sent to the landing of the Teenlee's y have a right to claim the duty ce, which should have been col-

its port of shipment. ion XI. That we see no objection being given by the consignees of ce's cargo, guaranteeing the cost he rice to the Customs should the at Peking decide on its confiscanis virtually removes the question e at once from ourselves to our niefs at Peking, to whom in any uestion would have to be referred, ill be prepared to regard the prermination of the case of the Teenrecedent for our several action in nilar cases until the matter shall a finally decided by the high auresiding at the Chinese Capital. tion XII. Lastly that we one and ess our several ministers on this t question and submit to each a hese our unanimous resolutions.

and scaled,

ROBERT SWINHOE, H. B. M. Consul at A moy. F. T. GISBERT, Consular Espano en Emoy. J. C. WARDLAW,

H. I. M. Vice Consul Amoy. EDWARD PYE, H. D. M. Vice Consul at Amoy. CÆSAR KRUGER, ecting Prussian Vice Consul. JOHN PATERSON,

H. N. M. Vice Consul. T. C. WARDLAW, Consul for Portugal. W. P. JONES. U. S. Consul Acting at Amoy.

FOUNDERING OF H.M.S. AMAZON AND THE OSPREY STEAMER.

become incorrect, and the boats were being pulled, if not absolutely seawards, at all events towards a distant part of the coast. (From Mitchell's Maritime Register.) Thus aided, the shipwrecked men reached Torquay shortly after 4 o'clock. They were A disaster, which is as calamitous in its provided for very kindly by several of the results as it is mysterious in its cause, ocinhabitants, and after their more immediate curred at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning wants had been supplied, the Officers and in the English Channel, between Portland men of the Amazon were forwarded by and the Start. On a fine clear night, with special train to Portsmouth, the Captain no wind or current to confuse calculations and Crew of the Osprey to Plymouth. The or divert attention, two fine and powerful undermentioned were the fishing boats that teamers in the open sea-one an English assisted in rescning the crews :- Waterlily ship of war and the other a large merchant of Beer Newton eight tons 72 persous Wave, steamer-suddenly came into collision with of Salterion, Wood, four cons, 14 persons; terrinc violence, resulting in the foundering Kingfisher, of Saltertion, Sedgmore, four of the one within five miniutes, and of the tons, 11 persons; Jame, of Beer, Moller, other shortly afterwards. The steam aloopfive tons, 30 persons. of-war Amazon left Spithead on Monday for Halifax, Nova Scotia, having been appointed to the North American station. She had on board a Crew of 130 of all ranks ARRIVAL OF THE and about 20 supernumeraries. The Amazon was a four gun-screw sloop, of 1,081 tons and 300-horse power, was contract built and constructed of wood, having been designed by Mr. E. J. Reed, the Chief The French mail steamer arrived this Constructor of the Navy. She was to have morning at half past four. Subjoined are been armour plated, but the plating was the following telegrams latest come to subsequently abandoned. Forward she was furnished with a submerged wood prow. hand. Some interruption to the Indo-Eu-The Amazon had it is stated, her regularopean Telegraph has prevented any late tion lights brightly burning, and at the telegrams coming on by this Mail. The hour named a steamer was reported about two points on the starboard bow. She was Ceylon papers are silent as to the cause of showing the proper lights, and was four or the interruption. Bombay Telegrams to five miles distant. She proved to be the the 10th instant have been received, but screw steamen Osprey As they neared each other the Amazon put her helm hard merely say, without giving dates, that the a-starboard, and exhibited the green light. news from Europe was of a generally cheebut the Osprey, it is further stated, put her

light. The result of these measures was, peared before:that as the Amazon fell off the Osprey came across the Amazon's fore foot, and the of the armistice between Austria and Prus mazon ran into the Osprey on her port sia dates from yesterday. A great nava quarter, striking her about one-third of her. engagement has taken place in the Adriatic length from her stern. The Osprey receiv-Sea between the Italians and Austrians, ed but very little damage on her topsides, resulting in the destruction of the Italian but was fearfully crushed below her water line by the prow of the Amazon. On board victory. The negotiations for an armistice the Osprey the greatest confusion ensued between the Austrians and Italians contion the collision; the majority of her Crew clambered in over the bowsprit of the Amazon, which protruded over her deck. And then a dreadful scene occurred, as it instantly found that the Osprey was settling down by the stern, for, though she was make a demonstration yesterday, notwithbuilt in three compartments, she was struck at the stokehole, at which point the two afgates of Hyde Park were closed by order of ter comparments joined, and the partition being crushed in, the compartments were of no service. A great body of water rush ed into the engine-room, where the Second Engineer was in charge, who, having stopped the engines on hearing the first concussion, rushed on deck, barely in time to es cape the flood of water. By that time most of the Crew and passengers, the latter in various stages of mudity were running to the forward part of the ship, and an attempt was made to get out a

belm hard a port, and exhibited the red

tilines. One thousand three hundred and forty-five miles of the Atlantic cable have been laid. The Laverpool and Manchester Markets are firm and active. boat. The Captain out away the gripes and placed his children and the saloon have agraced to an Armistice for eight days. loon passengers in the boat, but before she Breach between Johnston and Congress, could be cleared from the wreck the vesse. caus ng dissensions in cabinet. went down, and one of the davits catching the gunwale of the loat capsized it, and all who were so it were thrown into the water. The Crew of the Osprey had by this time

night dress, was hauled in over the Amazon's

hows as alse were or two of the Crew, one

of whom a Dutchman, had a narrow escape,

as he succeeded in grasping a rope when he

was on the point of sinking for the third

time. He had in his month and hands

some money and other valuables, which,

however, he discarded in the desperate

means the Captain, Crew, and Ciptain's

wife were rescued, the Captain's three child-

ren, a girl aged 15, a girl aged 12, and a boy

aged 10, were swallowed up in the vortex

caused by the sinking steamer in which also

were engulphed the whole of the saloon

passengers-Mrs. Hubbard, widow of a

Dublin barrister, and her two daughters,

aged respectively 22 and 15 years; Mrs.

Rea, wife of the Master of the ship Scaffow-

er, and her two young children; and Mary

Ann Keatings, the Stewardess. Mrs. Rea

was seen at her cabin door a moment after

the collision, and the Second Engineer

below, and she frantically called for them,

and made as if to go below in search of them.

The moment in which safety might have

heen secured was thus spent, and neglecting

Less exciting but almost equally serious

incidents were meanwhile occurring on

board the Amazon. In the shock of the

collision the prow of that ship became

twisted and wrenched round, and thus a

large hole was made in that vessel, through

which water was found to be pouring in

great volume. The ship's pumps were in-

stantly set to work, and great exertions,

were made to keep the vissel affort. But

the water gained on the cr w, and the Eugi-

neer soon came on deck, and reported to

the Captain that the'r fires were ext neuish-

ed and the engine-room half full of wat.r,

and it was seen from that moment that the

Amazon would go down, but, stil' no ex-

the vessel were got out with as much order

insufficient to afford proper accommodation

for the Crew with the added numbers of

the men from the Osprey, and the super-

water's edge, some of the men lying flat in

the bottom of the boats, and had any sea

been running or breeze sprung up all must

have perished. Two of the boats carried

sail, and they all kept in company, as one

The boats left the Amazon at 3 30 AM.,

the ship being then settling down in the sea,

although as a fog shortly afterwards set in

she was not actually seen to founder. They

were then about 18 miles off land, and

of the Osprey were only partially clothed,

nearest land, the Crew pulled with a will,

relieving each other by turns, as far as the

crowded state of the boats woull permeit.

In the early morning the boats fell in with

four fishing smacks, which were boarded, and

which rendered a double service, in reliev-

ing the boats of some part of their too great

load, and in piloting them into harbour. It

is fortunate on both accounts that this aid

boat had on board a compass.

somewhere off Dartmouth.

to go forward, she was seen no more.

helped her on deck. But her children were

to advance conditionally £600,000 to Madras Irrigation Company. Reform Riot renewed yesterday-Mob made demands. clambered into the Amazon, hand over THE following is a summary of news by hand up ropes from her bow, and two boats the present Mess geries Imperiales steawere promptly lowered from the Amazm, and the Captain and one or two men (From the China Express, July, 17.) were picked up by one ofthem: The Cap-THE COURT. -The Prince and Princess tain's wife, who was attired only in her

Christian left Osborne for Cherbourg and Paris, from thence they proceed to Switzerland. The Princess Louis of Hesse has been again safely confined of a daughter. Her Majesty is at Osborne. PARLI ME T -The Ministry have been

MAIL.

London July 23d. -The commencement

London, 24th July-81 Shirtings 15s. No.

40 Mule Twist Is. 9d, market improving.

standing the probibition of the police, the

the Authorities. Procession adjourned to

Trafalgar Square. Mob forced entrance by

determined opposition of 1,500 police.

Many people injured: a detachment of

Guards was present, but remained passive.

Italy has agreed to the suspension of hos-

London, July 25th. -Austria and Italy.

London, July 27th .- Government agreed

announced their determination to

engaged in their re-elections, and the Commons have not in consequence been able to struggle for life. But though by these

THE NEGOTIATIONS FOR PARCE. - Very although foreign papers do not adu little that can be relied upon is known as to the negotiations set on foot by FRANCE either as regards an armistice or a definitive peace. The Paris Moniteur chides the expectant world for its impatience, and points out that the negotiations caunot go on entirely by telegraph, and that it takes a confier three days and three nights to pass from Paris to the Prussian head-quarters. The Vienna Presse, however, states that the proposed mediation of the Emperor Napoleon is for the pre-

sent at an end. FRANCE. -The Empress and the Prince Imperial left for Nancy on the 15th, the Emperor being detained in the capital by the critical state of Europe. Great naval preparations are making, and a powerful fleet is ordered to rendezvous at Toulon. The Moniteur has cantioned the Press. against disseminating false news.

Austria. - Vienna, it appears, will be having announced that the city will not form the object of defence. The seat of ferred to Pesth. The Archduke Albert has been appointed Commander in-chief of the Austrian armies. Two hundred million floring are to be raised by a voluntary loan or an issue of paper money. The volunteers are called for.

RUSSIA.—It is stated that the Czar wil ertions were relaxed, and the five boats of | maintain his neutrality in the present conflict, should no foreign Power interfere as if for a holiday trip. Happily for the in Germany. Troops are said, however, mishap took place, for the ship's boats were | tier and in Bessarabia. The Commission appointed to inquire into the recent attempt against the Czar's life, report that I am convinced that they will amuse and move out of the way. criminal intentions against Russia are harnumeraries. Each boat was laden to the boured in several places abroad.

HOLLAND.—The Parliament has not yet assembled. Vice-Admiral May is dead. A society has been formed with the object of East. accelerating the moral and social progress of the Javanese.

THE HANSE TOWNS .- Prussia has ordered the contingent of Oldenburg and the Sturm, the agent for the Russian-American Company at Hamburg, is dead, and garian, formerly director of the city No provisions, water, or property of any theatre. The firm of Carl Focke (widow kind were taken on board, and the Seamen and China trade, have failed with liabiliand the Captain's wife had on only her ties to a million and a-half of dollars. Mr night dress, over which a blanket had been J. Costeker is appointed Consul for Hamthrown. The boats were of course turned in the direction as it was thought of the

burg at Iloilo and Cebu. PAPAL STATES .- A New York banking firm has been commissioned to negotiate a

UNITED STATES .- A national Convention is to assemble at Philadephia in securing the complete and immediate reswas rendered, inasmuchas the compass had loration of the Union. A fire has destroy-

ed half Portland, and consumed property have circumnavigated the globe. to the amount of \$10,000,000.

Mexico. - Matamoras has capitulated, and the Republicans are preparing to attack Tampico.

WEST INDIES. - Mr Eyre has not yet left Jamaica. The crops are excellent in all the islands except Grenada.

SOUTH PACIFIC STATES .- Admiral Encalada is appointed commander of the Chilian Peruvian squadron. All Spanish residents have been expelled from the Chilian territory. The Chilian Banks have offered to lend the Government six million dollars. A line of telegraph is to be established across Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, and Chili,

MISCELL NEOUS .- H. M. S. Amazon and steamer Osprey have been sunk by a collision and a few lives lost. General Peel, the new Secretary of War. has ordered the conversion of our Enfields into breechloaders. The captives in Abyssinia bave been again delayed. The Jamaica Committee insist on the trial of Governor Eyre for murder of Mr Gordon. The P, and O. steamer Columbian has had her trial trip. The Wimbledon rifle meeting goes on with success; the China Cup was won by Stafford, with 141 points at 200 yards and 143 at 500.

COMMERCIAL. -Bank rate remains at 10 per cent. Consols 871 to 3, All Securities are general depressed, owing to the uncertainly of the proposed peace. The London Banks are all quiet, and several favourable reports have been issued. The Birmingham Banking Company have however failed, with liabilities of nearly £2,000,000. The affairs of the London, ring nature. The following have not ap-Chatham, and Dover Railway are in Chaninterest. &c., due 1st July. Bills on India are selling at 1s. 8d. to 1s. 9d. Mexican not known here what bullion the present mail takes from Marseilles. Manchester 12s. 9d ; 11lb., 14s. to 16s. Cotton Yarn, .ron-clad vessels. Both sides claim the No. 16-24, 17d. to 19d.

SHIPPING.—The Dilkhoosh, Bisset from London to Shanghai, has had to put into Falmouth with damage, having been in collision; and the Cezard, Caron, from Java to Boston, into the Mauritius, In consequence of the retorm League hav- leaky.

> Telegram from Calcutta dated 9th August, 1866, through Galle. The French Mail, Steamer "Imperat. ice.

Eighth Auction.

removing Park Railing, notwithstanding PATNA averaged about Rs. 1335 per Chest Market excited, extensive gambling going and rates expected to advance on receipt of higher prices from China by the French Mail. Exports are likely to be Steamer " Reiver" had arrived.

(From our own Correspodent.)

MANILA, August 21st, 1866. GREAT preparations are being made to receive in a proper and becoming manner part of the fleet, the iron clad Numanciaincluded; which before Callao gave proof to her smoke stack to her cabin forward ;the world, that the bravery for which the Spaniards in former days were so cele- to stern, or nearly so, and continued burnbrated still exists, and that the blood which coursed in their ancestors' veins, to the bund, abreast the city wall. still does the same with the present race, without it having degenerated. attack on Callao will be for ever a bright day in the annals of Spanish history; and state, nearly five hours. Her funnel was red as "lodging allowance." No doubt (says the Local great damage having been done to the Peruvian batteries, still they cannot; it appears to me, but admit that great bravery was shown by the Spanish Admiral, in taking wooden vessels, and one ironclad, to attack batteries of such an enormous calibre as the Peruvians had, and I am astonished how these let the Spanish fleet leave without sinking some of the wooden vesse's. But strange as it seems, it is a fact that after silencing those tremendous monster'guns, one part of the fleet is able to go round the Cape to Monte Video, while the other goes on a voyage to Mauila! Our papers are full of the partiengiven up to the Prussians, the Emperor lars of the engagements, and we are all from the Quarter master coming and telling very enthusiastic about it; nothing will Government will temporarily be trans- be too good for the men and officers coming, parties on board who saw the Chinkiang and and there will be a round of festivities, never before seen here. Amongst the first items, is a great ball that the Ayunconscription is suspended in Hangary, but tamento intends giving, and for which already they are making preparations; will cost about \$4000. I would advise all Crew was it that no confusion prevailed or to be concentrating on the Silesian from ing these islands, to do so shortly, or when they hear of the fleet's arrival here, and

> celebrated, of being the gayest city in the-The fleet is coming here to refit, and as we have no docks here fit to take the Hause-Towns to be ready in full marching | Numancia in, she will most likely go over | Master of the Barque " Hydrons of 258 tons burorder at Hamburg by the 25th. Mr R. to Hongkong to get her bottom cleaned, and all old residents of Hongkong will clad vessel. I suppose that the Hongkong only dock capable of taking the Numancia in, and as it is such an easy thing to go from Victoria to Aberdeen, I daresay all Hongkong will go'to see her. Be it as it loan for the Pope. Cardinal Matteucci is may, Spain will certainly have the honour of having the first ironclad in these waters, and as the Numancio, from here, most August to determine on the means of likely will go home per Cape of Good Hope, she will be first ironclad which will

themselves, for Manila will again don the

appearance for which it formerly was so

Previous to receiving this news, all

CHINA MAIL.

Manila's attention was directed to the Chinese bribe question. If you remember, sometime ago I wrote to you respecting a deputation of Chinamen having bribed our late worthy Governor, with half of \$15,000. into annulling an order for the Celestials to keep their book in Spanish. Well shortly after his departure, a party of Chinamen, opposed to the persons composing the deputation, denounced them at the Intendente, and in consequence of it, the whole batch consisting of about six of the wealthiest and most influential Chinamen, have been ir carcerated, to await their trial on go hard against them. But Lord knows how we will fare here, after the telegra-Amoy, of the fall of the O'Donnell Ministry, and the nomination of the Narvaez one! and as our late worthy governor belonged to the latter, tribel should not be at al astonished to see him come back again, to once more fill his pocket.

Mrs Anna Bishop has given alread cery, owing to their inability to meet the ved here ; always had full houses and great applause. Her companion does not take l'iano, but has no voice, and particularly Markets: Grey Shirtings, 71b., 12s 3d. to when be attempts English ballads and comic songs. You can imagine how satisfied a Spanish public, not being able to understand a single word, must be.

Next Thursday Mrs Bishop intends giv ng her last farewell concert. She intendbut as it is the Malespina she has been advised not to do so, and will go per steamer Mona to Amoy, and from there

BURNING OF THE S.S. HUQUONG (From The Friend of China.) KICKIANG, SUNDAY EVENING, August 19th, 1866

WE arrived here at 5 30 P.M. from Shanghai, and found the Str. Kiangloong. About an hour after the Str. Huquang arrived from Hankow, and went alongside Messrs. Russell & Co.'s, or the Shanghai Steam Navigation Co's Hulk, (her accustomed place,) to receive cargo. About 7 P.M. or shortly after, I was told that the Huquang was on fire, and ran out to see. There she was, true enough, in a blaze, from flames bursting out of the windows; and shortly after she was in a blaze from stem ing until past 12 P.M. when she rolled over on her starboard side, and sunk nearly close

I should mention, that shortly after the fire broke out, they cast off her thawsers, &c. The from the hulk, let her drop astern, then let to her anchors, (one, or more,) and there they held her. She burnt up to the time I of hot, as was also her walking beam. starboard paddle wheel and shaft fell first. say an hour or so before she went down. I haven't heard, for certain, what was the

cause of the fire, but it broke out near the Eigine room -In all probability, a China man, a fireman, was left below, to look after everything as soon as she was made fast to the Hulk, and as the Hankow coals, which I have no doubt she had, (for all R. & Co's boats get Hankow coals) make a great deal of ashes and clinkers, the China firemen. who were left to get them out, did not properly attend to it, and so the accident oc-

It could not have been on account of racing against the Kiangloong, as has frequently been the case, for on the previou trip to this up, the Krangloong was beat by the Huquang som ten minutes from Cock's Heal to Hankow, say 86 miles.

P.S.-1 P.M. Captain Harman of the Huquong has just come ou board, and says the first he knew of the catastrophe was him the Engine Koom was on Fire I never saw such a blaze in my life, and

Hankow burn up, say they did not last so long, or give such a flare.

The Huquong had about 890 tous of cargo on board, including a great deal o. oil. Captain Andrews was on board, when the fire broke out and says he saw several of the Chinese passengers jump overboard, with their trunks, &c., No doubt some are drowned, but as I have not been on ashore I can't say for certain. They had a gun on the your readers, who have intentions of visit. Hulk's bridge, which fired three shots in to her when she was nearly burnt out. H.M. Gun-boat Cockchafer lying here did not seem to care about it, as she did not get up steam The water is rising here a few inches dai-

ly. Nothing further of importance.

WRECK OF THE BARQUE "HYDROOS We have received through the Customs Department, Colombo, the following extract of a statement made before the Receiver of Wrecks at Juffna in regard to the wirck of the Barque " Hydrov."

Abdul Rayman of Malayalam states, I am the then belonging to the Port of Hongkong; the vessel left Colombo on the night of Thursday last the 14th Instant in Ballast and on the night of Friday we encountered foul weather with heavy puffs of wind has left his fortune to M. Wurda, a Bun- then have an opportunity of seeing an iron from the S. W. accompanied with rain and were not aware in what direction the vessel was going, she had on her topsail and driver, not being able to and son) of Bremen, in the East Indian and Whampon Dock Company has the carry more sails. At 6 A M. vesterday she was stranded on a sand bank off Paumben and commenced breaking. The owner of the Vessel Abdul Rajah Madaar was also on board with some passengers bound for Negapatam, viz. 2 European Ladies, 2 Moormen and a Native, whose names are unknown to me. Immediately after the Vessel's stranding, the owner, 2 of his brothers in-law, the 2 Ladies, 3 of the Lase rs, the Pilot and le Moorman passenger, in all ten in number landed in one of the boats and left the ship at 2 P M yesterds ; myself, 13 of the Crew, 2 passengers and 6 Boys landed in 2 other of the ships boats having lashed them together and left the ship at 7 P.M. yesterday; we sighted land this morning & steered towards it and found on

enquiry that it was Calmone Point and that we were close to Jaffas, whither we reached at 1 P. M. this day. When we abandoned the ship none were on board, the ship was fast breaking and she had 4 feet water in the hold. I am not aware what has become of the boat that first left the ship with the owner and 9 others. While we were in the ship, we lost sight of the boat at 5 P. M. they had a bag of Riscuits, some sugar and 2 buckets of fresh water.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- Colombo Observer.

RULE OF CONDUCT FOR A COLONIAL GOVERNOR IN A CASE OF INSURRECTION, -There may be (said Sir Edward Law, Attorney-General, afterwards Lord Ellenborough) there may be circumstancesit will be for Governor Wall to show that such circumstances existed-which may constitute a sufficient, adequate, and full defence for a military officer in the infliction of punishment without either a general or regimental court-martial; for if there be that degree of imminent necessity which supersedes the recourse to any ordinary tribunal-if there be actually existing that flagrant mutiny which must either be a charge of bribery, and it seems it will suppressed by force and by the immediate though irregular application of severe punishment, or must be left to rage uncontrolled at the utmost peril of public safety-that which I. was just now pronouncing to be irregular becomes, if the more regular. phic news we received per Japan via and appropriate course of proceeding in such cases cannot be restored to itself regular and capable of being justified upon every principle of public duty for it imports the public safety that the means of résisting an enormous and overbearing evil should be as strong, sudden, and capable of application as the evil itself is capable of immediate mischievous effect, and if this has been the case here it will carry its own justification with it. Gentlemen, upon this occasion, therefore, it will be most important for the prisoner to establish that there existed, in point of fact, a mutiny. When he has established in point of fact (if he can do so) that there existed a mutiuy, four concerts, and has been very well recei- if he can go farther and show that the ordinary for ward either a partial or complete set of Teeth. modes of trial could not be resorted to, and that upon conference with the officers, that which on the emergency was thought best to be done was done, and that there was no wanton abuse of power in the in-Dollars sold at 60%; bar silver 61%. It is so well. Mr Lascelles is an artist on the fliction of punishment, the prisoner will be entitled to go quit of the charge made upon him by this indictment .- ergeant Burke's " Neval and Military.

> A CURE FOR BAD GRAMMAR .- A schoolmaster after giving one of his scholars a sound drubbing for speaking bad grammar, sent him to the other end of the room to inform another boy that he wished to speak to him, and at the same time promising to repeat the dose if he spoke to him ungramatically. The youngster, quite satisfied with what he had got, ed to go per present steamer to Hongkong, determined to be exact; and thus he addressed his fellow pupil :- "There is a common substantive, of the masculine gender, singular number, nominative case, and in an angry mond, that sits perched upon the eminence at the other side of the room, wishes to articulate a few sentences to you in the present

Trials-Trial of Governor Wall.

" HOW SHALL THE BED BE PLACED?" __ A COFFEEpondent of the Builder says :- " For twenty-five years and upwards I have had my bed placed with the head to the north, or as near that point as I can; and, if I cannot have it north, I place it north-east, with as much north as I can get. When I sleep from home I pull out the bedstead from the wall, and turn it to the desired point as nearly as I can, finding great advantage. Many of my friends, knowing my fancy, take care to put me in a room with the bed in the right position. They smile at my whim: I sleep, and smile at their unbelief.

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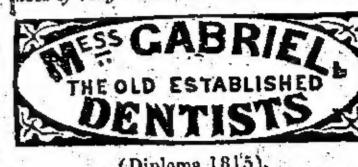
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From the North-China Daily News. A few months ago a writer in the Caina Mail commenced the publication of a series of Notes for Tourisis in the North of China, and these have now been published in a condensed form with the name of the writer, Mr N. B. Dennys. He is well qualinfied for the work he has undertaken, and his opions as to the best modes of travelling as well as his casual remarks upon men and manners in the north, are worthy of attention. We can discover no omission in the list given, all the precautions necessary to secure comfort en route and at the various inns being very minutely set forth. From stage to stage of the journey, the traveller will find that his author has preceded him, and that the discomforts from which he suffers have been suffered before by one at least who has set himself to devise means whereby they may be overcome We commend to those interested in topographical researches the description given of Peking, while those whose ideas regarding the history of Paking and the many vicissitudes through which it has passed since its first establishment are misty and confused, will do well to run over the condensed account given at page 25. We cannot pass in review each chapter of Mr Dennys' valuable little work. Meanwhile, those who intend to travel in the Chi;

li province during the approaching autumn months, cannot do better than accept these Notes as their From the Hankow-Times. There are plenty of sights in and around the city. some visible and many more invisible, and Mr. Denny's description of the cities and their points of

interest is full and carefully given. As to its correctness we are unfortunately unable to judge. The name of the book " Notes for Tourists in the North of China ' is rather smbitious, as the Author confines himself to Peking and two routes from that city to Kalgon, about 130 miles distant, but, for a visit to Peking the information will prove very acceptable to a traveller especially if living at an inn.

From the Shanghae Recorder. The present mail brings us a copy of the useful little guide book for Tourists in the North of China, which has recently been published by Mr N. B. Dennys, and we we are glad to be able to express a favorable opinion upon its serviceableness. The book, though it only pretends to be a guide to travellers, contains much useful and interesting information; and may be looked upon in the light of the "Murray" for Tourists in Northern Provices of the Celestial Empire.

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